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Commission wants 15 mph speed limits

By MARY BROWNFIELD

SPEED LIMITS on residential streets should drop to 15 mph to protect the safety of pedestrians, pets and drivers, the Carmel Traffic Safety Commission said Wednesday afternoon. Following more than a year of citizen complaints, discussions and studies, the commission will ask the city council for action.

"I think we've discussed it to death," said traffic commissioner Carl Roetter, adding that the commission has included lowering speed limits on its list of goals for the past two years. "We should ask the council to tell us what to do."

According to state law, speed limits on residential streets are assumed to be 25 mph and may only be reduced if engineering studies confirm at least 85 percent of drivers travel at or near a lower speed, and certain conditions — streets narrower than 25 feet, or a school or senior center nearby — exist.

"Various speed studies over the past years

See TRAFFIC page 18A

REVISED EIR KICKS OFF NEXT SEPTEMBER RANCH BATTLE

PHOTO/PAUL MILLER

September Ranch owner Jim Morgens said his proposed development of 109 homes will not affect this picturesque pasture that fronts on Carmel Valley Road.

By CHRIS COUNTS

PERHAPS IT'S just the season, but for September Ranch owner Jim Morgens, the Jan. 3 release of a revised draft environmental impact report on his long-delayed development project makes him think about football.

"I'm not sure if we're on our own one-yard line or the 50-yard line," Morgens said. "But we're definitely not past the 50-yard line."

Regardless of Morgens' field position, it's clear from the report that there's still plenty of time left on the clock to make it into the end zone, depending on how much resistance he encounters on his march up the field.

Morgens hopes to subdivide 891 acres into 94 residential lots, 15 units of affordable housing, and a 20-acre lot for the existing equestrian center. He also offers 783 acres as dedicated open space. The

*See **SEPTEMBER** page 8 of the Real Estate section*

Pitkin's Curve throws a slider at motorists

■ *Big Sur's 'Old Faithful' again shuts down Highway 1*

By CHRIS COUNTS

AS THE former owner of Big Sur's Lucia Lodge, Keith Harlan is well acquainted with the hazards of running a business near a famous rock slide.

"You can't run a Kool-Aid stand on a dead end street," said Harlan, who has lived in Big Sur for 33 years. "If the road is closed, business might as well be."

If it weren't for the huge slides that have routinely buried it since 2000, Pitkin's Curve would be just another anonymous turn on Highway 1, known by its place name to only a few old-timers. But due to the unpredictable nature of the adjacent mountainside and the subsequent inconvenience it causes, the curve has become a Big Sur landmark.

The late Don Harlan, a longtime highway worker and Keith's cousin, recalled how the turn was named in a 1971 interview.

"Pitkin's is a nasty curve, especially for southbound traffic," he said. "Many people, not heeding the warning signs, fail to negotiate it. One of these was a neighbor, Dorothy Pitkin."

It is unknown if Pitkin was the first motorist to run into trouble on the curve, but she certainly was not the last. Just inches from the northbound lane, a big, steep, vertical chunk of Big Sur rises above the highway. There are few things you can predict along Monterey County's south coast, but a slide during the wet season on Pitkin's Curve is certainly one of them. It has even earned a nickname: Old Faithful, which is shared by a few other stretches of highway prone to slides.

For passing motorists, the curve represents either a

*See **PITKIN'S** page 7 of the Real Estate section*

Tsunami plan: Head for the hills

By MARY BROWNFIELD

WITH ITS populated and often tourist-filled coastline, the Monterey Peninsula would certainly be heavily damaged and suffer major loss of life by a tidal wave on the scale of the one that killed 150,000 people in Asia Dec. 26. Law enforcement and emergency services personnel are developing a tsunami response plan that should be finished in three to six months, according to Harry Robins, manager of the Monterey County Office of Emergency Services.

On Jan. 4, Carmel Police Chief George Rawson told the city council he attended a Sept. 30, 2004, discussion of the plan, which will include public education, warning and evacuation systems, designation of tsunami threat areas and evacuation routes with signs pointing to higher ground.

"We are moving forward and are committed in Carmel to being a very active part of that process," said Rawson, who assigned Sgt. Mel Mukai to the planning group and asked Pacific Grove Fire Chief Andrew Miller to represent Carmel Fire as well.

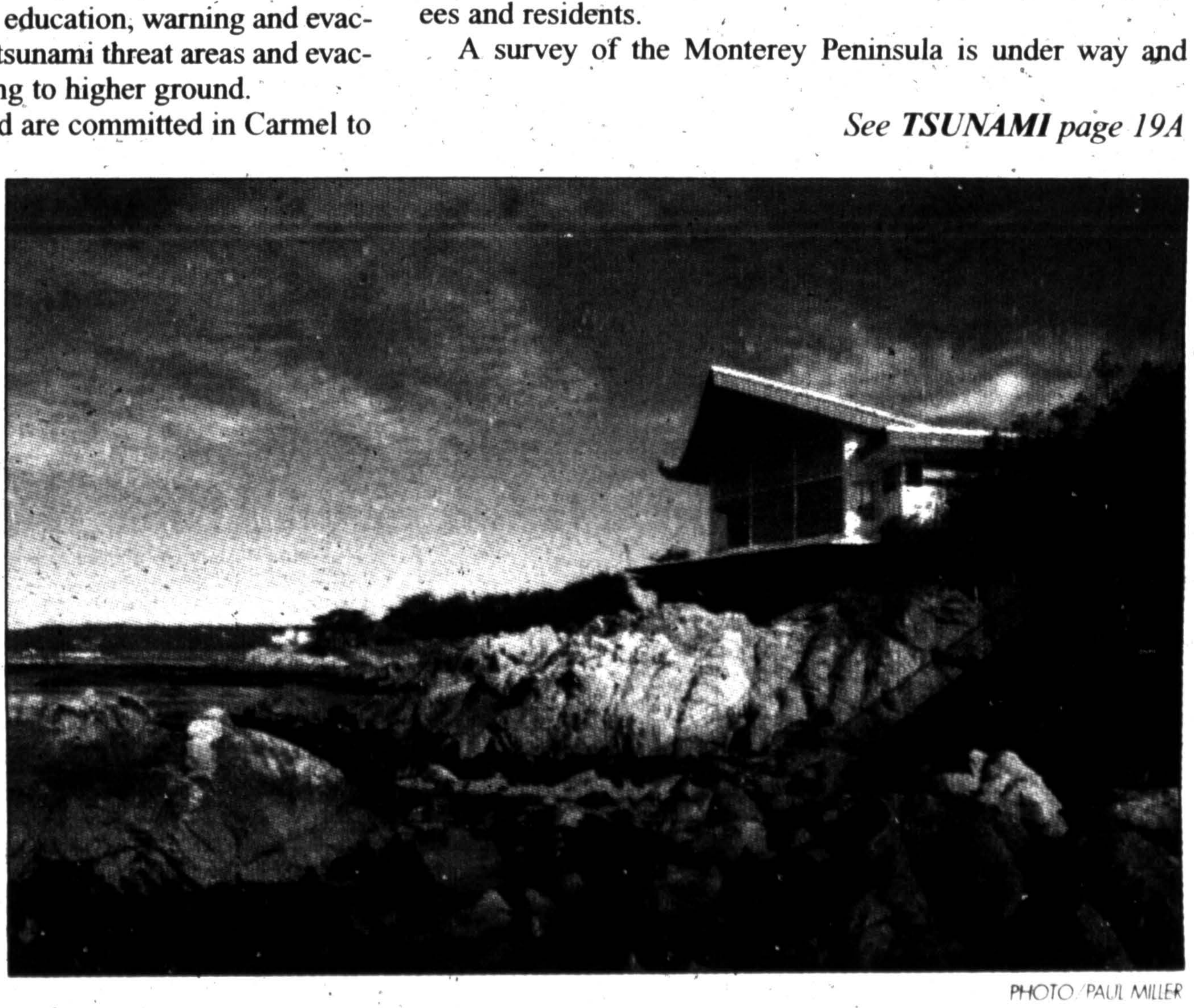
It's not so much the development of the plan that's difficult, according to Robins — it's the signs, which are generally loathed by the residents of scenic communities. Designating tsunami danger zones and evacuation routes "requires the buy-in of all the individual jurisdictions," he told The Pine Cone. "You can't just have two cities put the signs up and those in between not take part. That defeats the whole purpose."

At least a warning system already exists, Rawson said. The West Coast and Alaska Tsunami Warning Center in Alaska and the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center in Hawaii monitor earthquakes in the Pacific basin and will notify the California Office of Emergency Services if dangerous waves may be heading toward the coast. As of now, there are no sirens to warn residents. Police would use the loudspeakers on their patrol cars to broadcast a warning through town, according to Sgt. Mike Calhoun.

According to the National Tsunami Mitigation Hazard Program being developed by the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, 42 coastal communities already surveyed include 857,915 people who could be caught in a tsunami. The at-risk population includes those within one kilometer of the coast, including tourists, employees and residents.

A survey of the Monterey Peninsula is under way and

*See **TSUNAMI** page 19A*



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Giant waves that crashed onto the Monterey Peninsula shore in February 1960 shattered windows and flooded the Butterfly House on Scenic Road, carried off the Pebble Beach pier and boathouse and wrecked numerous boats in Monterey harbor; see story on page 19A. The county wants to prepare a tsunami emergency response plan before giant waves take lives.

Residents to vote on tax hike April 5

By MARY BROWNFIELD

CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA VOTERS will decide April 5 whether the tax charged on hotel rooms should be increased from 10 percent to 12 percent.

Because the petition behind the proposed transient occupancy tax hike specified what the revenue would pay for, it must receive approval from two-thirds of the voters to become law.

At its regular meeting Tuesday, the city council set the date for the election, which will coincide with another city council meeting set for 4:30 p.m. April 5.

Initially, Mayor Sue McCloud suggested rescheduling the council meeting to accommodate the election, but special budget meetings set for the weeks prior and following complicated that.

The single-issue vote will likely be held at a single polling place in town, probably at Sunset Center — the location used during the Nov. 2, 2004, presidential election — according to city clerk Karen Crouch.

After the election ends at 8 p.m., Crouch plans to announce the outcome as soon as votes are tallied and will keep city hall open into the evening so that anyone interested can learn the results.

But unlike the traditional city elections, no party will be held in council chambers.

"I decided to have the results announced here, but it's not going to be an event," Crouch said.

The alternatives are to have Monterey County Registrar of Voters Tony Anchundo and his staff count the ballots at the polling place or at their offices in Salinas.

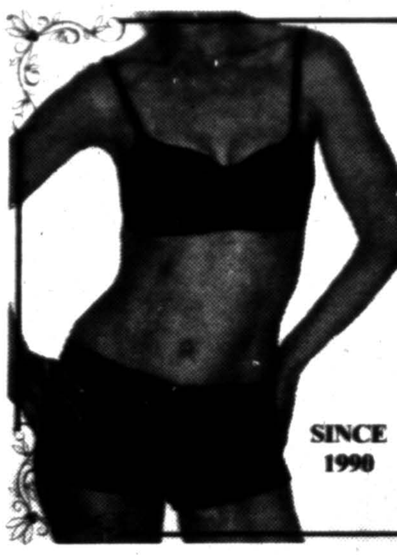
"I'll probably have Tony and his workers bring the ballots here and count them here," Crouch said.

The effort to increase the transient occupancy tax from 10 percent to 12 percent has been pursued by Carmel residents Mike Biele, Patricia Fairbank and Jim Brun, whose petition drive forced the council to either approve the tax increase as proposed or call a special election. On Dec. 29, council members voted to put the question on the ballot; on Jan. 4, they selected the date.

In his staff report at the December meeting, city administrator Rich Guillen said the city could have earned an additional $698,161 in taxes during the last fiscal year from a transient occupancy tax of 12 percent. According to the specific allocations in the initiative, $174,540 (one half of 1 percent) of the proceeds would have paid for beach, parks, open space and forest; another $174,540 would have covered maintenance and repairs at the library, Forest Theater, Scout House and Flanders Mansion; $261,810 (three-fourths of 1 percent) would have gone toward the annual Capital Improvement Program, and $87,270 (one quarter of 1 percent) would have promoted tourism.

The tax increase proposal has no sunset date, requiring another vote of the people to repeal it.

Crouch said more specific information on the election, including whether the council will take an official position on the tax increase or distribute neutral information instead, will become available in coming weeks.



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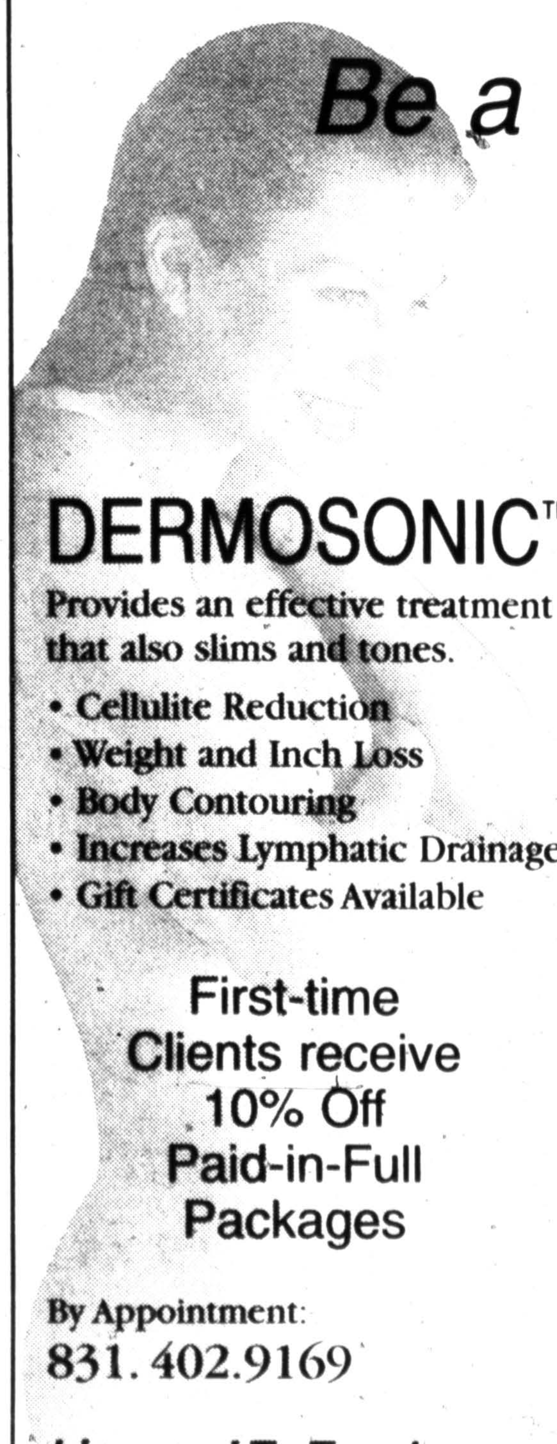

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Pine Cone moves to new offices

PHONE, FAX and email communication with the staff of The Carmel Pine Cone will be interrupted from Dec. 31 to Jan. 3 as the newspaper moves to new offices in Carmel and Pacific Grove. The paper's website may also be unavailable during the move.

Publishers Paul Miller and Kirstie Wilde announced last week they had acquired a Victorian-style office building at 734 Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove. The new building will house the Pine Cone's production and sales office. Meanwhile, a receptionist and two reporters will be relocating to the Stonehouse Terrace building in Carmel on San Carlos near Seventh. The paper had been occupying rental space on 4th Avenue since 1993.

"I am going to keep running the paper myself for at least ten more years, and I was determined not to spend all that time paying rent," which had recently been running $60,000 per year, Miller said.

Three attempts by The Pine Cone to buy permanent office space in downtown Carmel over the past year were not successful, he added.

The Pine Cone, which is widely regarded as one of the best small-town newspapers in California, was founded in 1915. Miller and Wilde bought it in 1997.

The newspaper's main phone number, (831) 624-0162, and mailing address, P.O. Box G-1, Carmel 93921, will not change. However, there will be a new fax number for all departments, (831) 375-5018. Individual staff members, who already have their own email addresses (firstname@carmelpinecone.com) will also have their own phone numbers. Those numbers will be publicized as soon as they are available.

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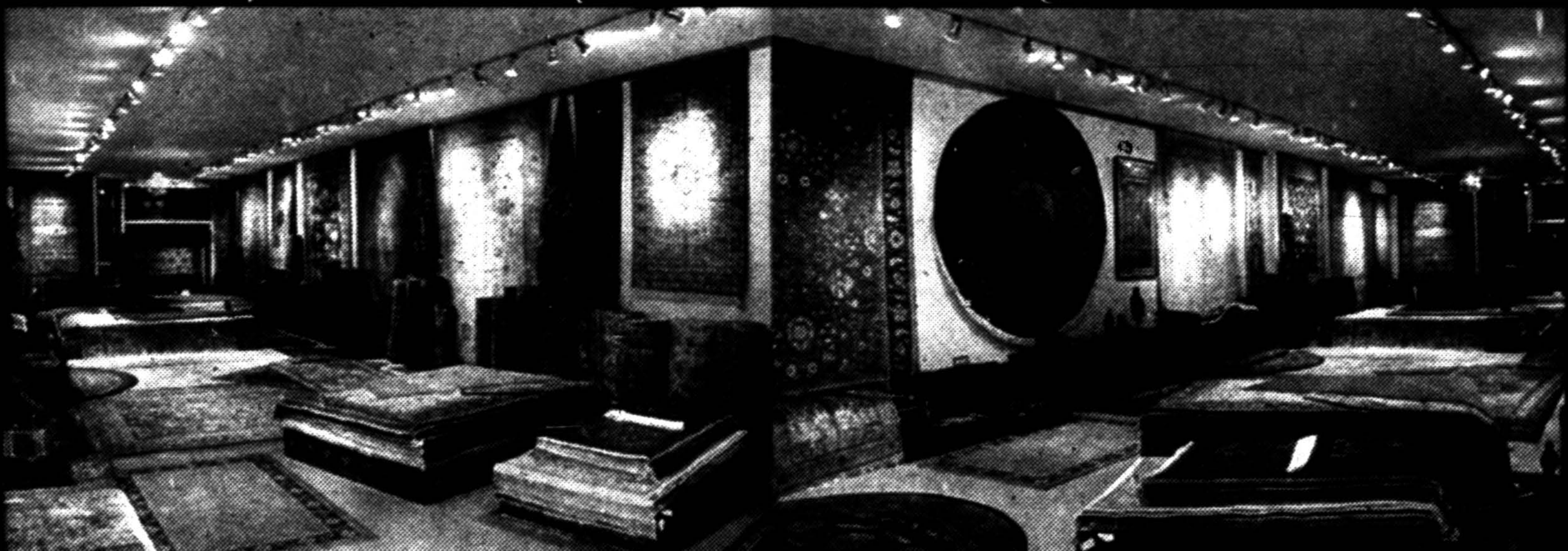

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Police & Sheriff's Log

Woman calls 911 for barking dogs — three times

HERE'S A look at some of the significant calls logged by the Carmel-by-the-Sea Police Department, the Carmel Fire Department and the Monterey County Sheriff's Office last week. This week's log was compiled by Mary Brownfield.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Carmel-by-the-Sea: On Sunday at approximately 1130 hours, observed two plastic garbage bags on the sidewalk on San Carlos Street. The bags had been torn open, spilling trash. The bags were transported to a city dumpster. A person was contacted from information found in the bags, and a warning given.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Observed a vehicle parked on Mission Street with what appeared to be a false 2005 tab on the rear license plate. The vehicle was towed for investigation and the plates were confiscated.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of a possible domestic dispute at 1825 hours between a male and a female subject in the bank parking lot on San Carlos Street. Contact made with a male subject, who stated he was involved in a verbal altercation with a male friend. He refused to identify the other male friend; however, he acknowledged that a female subject was also trying to intervene between him and his friend. He also refused to provide any further information on either of the two other parties. There were no signs of a physical altercation. The male subject was interviewed in the field and released.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 0132 hours, Engine 7111 and Ambulance 7166 were dispatched to a medical emergency at Mission and Fourth. Upon arrival at 0136 hours, found a male complaining of dizziness and abdominal pain. Patient evaluated but refused transport to CHOMP. Patient signed a medical release form.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111 responded to a possible transformer explosion/fire at Junipero and 11th. Crew investigated and found a primary power line circuit breaker blown on pole #6677. Further inspection found primary wires twisted together at the point where they crossed the creek near the foot bridge. Crew secured the area and waited until arrival of PG&E 30 minutes later.

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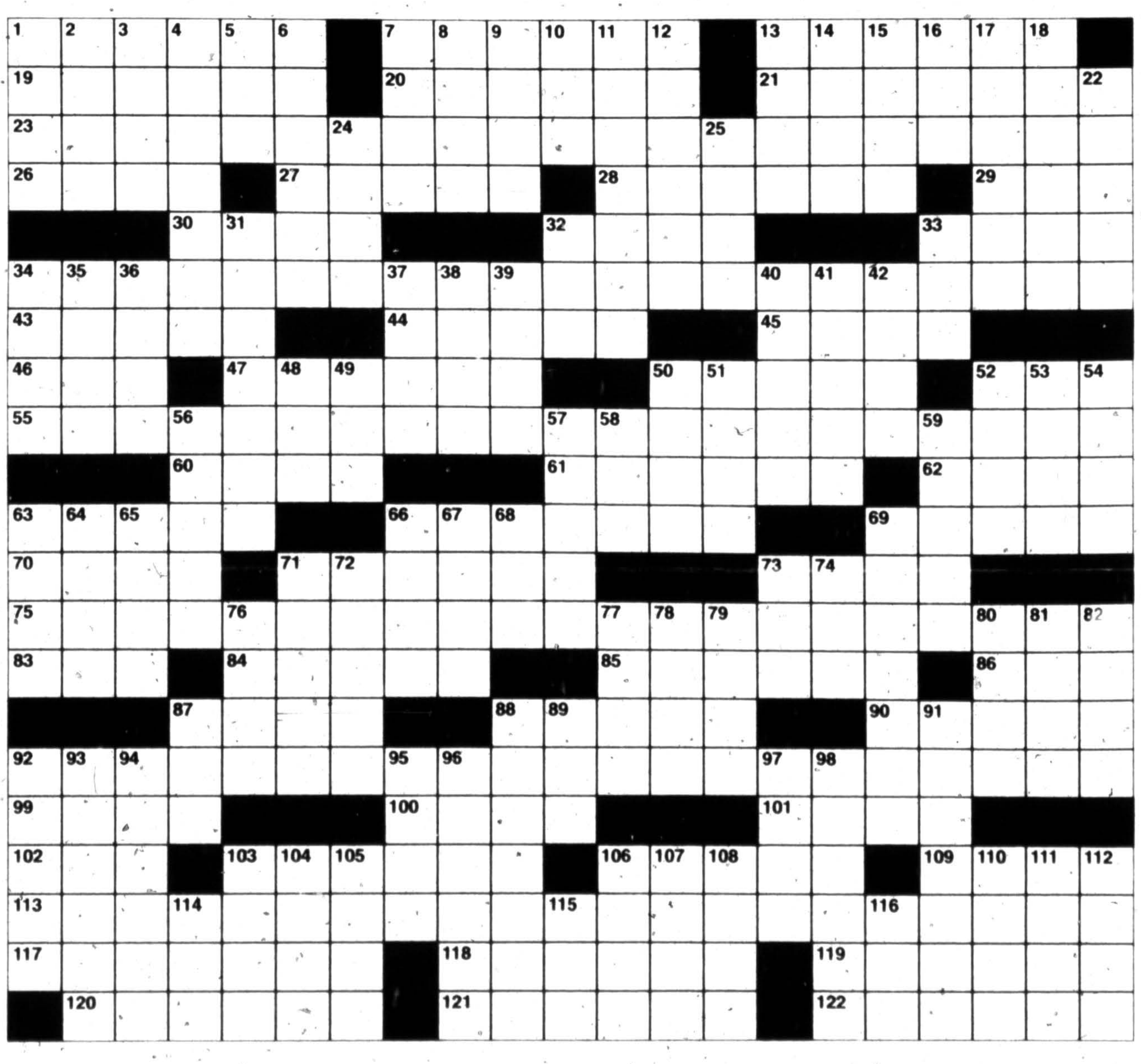
WHAT PEOPLE MIGHT SAY BEFORE DOING THIS PUZZLE By Patrick Merrell / Edited by Will Shortz



ACROSS

1 Garlicky seafood dish
7 Vacuum tube
13 Trig function
19 What imbibers might feel
20 Desk-clearer
21 Great Plains tribe
23 The optimist ...
26 Bill extras
27 Tower supports
28 John
29 Contingency plans address them
30 Collector's suffix
32 High spots
33 Brain section
34 The pessimist ...
43 Overly studious types
44 Fielders' choices
45 It precedes one
46 Alphabet trio
47 The Green Wave, in college sports
50 Famed caravel
52 Cousin of Wm. and Robt.
55 The self-hypnotist ...
60 Approved
61 Site of the Grimaldis' 700-year reign
62 Pull (in)
63 It's seen in the dark
66 "McHale's Navy," craft
69 Good looks
70 Super-duper
71 Sharply reprimand
73 Rap music's Kris Kross and others
75 The conformist ...
83 The sun
84 Some cheeses
85 Yellow
86 U.N. workers' grp.
87 Kind of sch.
88 Israeli port
90 Fife accompanier
92 The therapist ...
99 Function
100 Docs prescribe them
101 Tour de France challenge
102 Señores say it in unison
103 Stuffed Indian dish
106 "Hey! ... yeah, you!"
109 New Rochelle college
113 The mentalist ...
117 Author of "Guerrilla Warfare"
118 Cry on a baseball field
119 Money left at a secret location, maybe
120 Duel item
121 Rural hangouts
122 Bean and others

Answer to puzzle on page 17A

DOWN

1 Presumptuous one
2 Popular fragrance from France
3 On ___ with
4 Race around the earth?
5 Mathematical constants
6 How baby girls are often dressed
7 When said three times, a W.W. II film
8 One having second thoughts
9 Followers: Suffix
10 Sash
11 Rubber bones, e.g.
12 Urge
13 With 72-Down, a signature on the Declaration of Independence
14 Pennsylvania's northwesternmost county
15 "Out of the question"
16 Kwik-E-Mart clerk on "The Simpsons"
17 Land
18 It began in 1908 with 34 agts.
22 Caucasus native
24 Impose ___ on (outlaw)
25 "Oh, pooh!"
31 Risked
32 Cause of a big blowup
33 China's ___ Yutang
34 Cross inscription
35 One side in an annual football game
36 Leavings
37 Arabian Sea borderer
38 Wound, but not fatally
39 Up and ___
40 Where the 2004 Rep. Natl. Convention was held
41 Untrue
42 Successful kick
48 Four-stringer
49 Topper
50 Constrained, with "up"
51 Form 1040 declarations, for short
52 "Holy mackerel!"
53 Lad clipped by Floyd the barber
54 Prim and proper, e.g.: Abbr.
56 Like most lips
57 Show feelings
58 Overseas broadcaster, in brief
59 Clear the tape
63 Gaping holes
64 Number below cinco on un teléfono
65 Butcher's offering
66 Event for limos
67 Longtime Times Sq. site
68 "A Christmas Carol" exclamation
69 Fancy pen decoration
71 Waited
72 See 13-Down
73 ___ good deed
74 News inits.
76 Supermarket section
77 Drops down from above
78 Up in smoke
79 Q.E.D. part
80 Bedroom sharers, maybe
81 Baseball's Felipe
82 Those were the days
87 When Bastille Day is celebrated
88 The Father of Mexican Independence
89 Numbskull
91 Gives
92 Injustice
93 Hide out
94 2002 Olympic skating gold medalist Yagudin
95 Every which way
96 Boot camp reply
97 Verb with "thou"
98 Corrida charger
103 Belt
104 Designed for flying
105 Mess, e.g.
106 Kitchenware
107 Camp performance
108 Boomers, once?
110 Quite
111 Diner sign
112 Gives a piece
114 Sets
115 Tic-tac-toe winner
116 Former polit. union

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Council welcomes long-awaited Sunset Center director

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A FLEDGLING website and a fully operational box office marked the arrival of Sunset Center's new executive director this week. The Carmel City Council met Jack Globenfelt Jan. 4, when he and new finance director Craig Robertson were introduced by Sunset Cultural Center Inc. board chairman Jim Price.

"Jack has extensive experience in facility management, event bookings, financial operations and nonprofit organizations," Price said of Globenfelt, who is a native Californian and worked most recently as managing director of the Center for Performing Arts at Lehman College in the Bronx, N.Y.

A Fresno State University graduate whose first job was as assistant manager of the Fresno Community and Convention Center, Globenfelt's resume includes a stint as marketing director for the Harlem Globetrotters — the reason the board hired him, Price joked. He also worked as deputy director of Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum and as a personal appearance talent agent for a New York firm. For four years prior to his arrival at Lehman College, and coinciding with his job there, Globenfelt owned his own booking and entertainment consulting business.

"You heard we had more than 80 applications," Price told the council. "Many were highly qualified. Jack was our first choice."

After pointing out that Globenfelt's "California welcome" included rain and colder temperatures in Carmel than in New York, Price described new accomplishments at the center, including 38 bookings for January and a similar number in February.

"As a special feature of Jack's first week, I am happy to advise you and the community that as of today, there is a fully operational box office at Sunset, near the main entrance, with computerized sales and enough capacity to handle all events there," he said. Online ticket ordering is soon to follow.

Price also introduced Robertson, a CPA whose career included heading financial auditing at the Transamerica Corp. in San Francisco before he moved to Pacific Grove several years ago. He was working for a small Monterey accounting firm when SCC hired him away, according to Price.

At the dais, Globenfelt told the council he intended to contradict author Thomas Wolfe's assertion, "You can't go home again."

Praising the city, the center and the board, Globenfelt said, "It's a tremendous combination, a successful combination, and I know I will be part of it."

He said the center's website, www.sunsetcenter.org, is operating on a basic level and will be completed by Feb. 25.

"My first job is to increase the number of performances, and I'm hard at work at it, even though it's only my second day on the job," he continued, suggesting a cabaret could join the eclectic Sunset Center lineup this spring.

Upcoming shows in January include Carmel High's "Our Night to Dance," Monterey Symphony concerts, Artbeat's Duke Ellington musical "Sophisticated Ladies," Mozart Society's presentation of Dave Gordon & Friends "Encountering Mozart," the National Acrobats of Taiwan and Natalie MacMaster from Performance Carmel, and Carmel Music Society's presentation of pianist Frederic Chiu.

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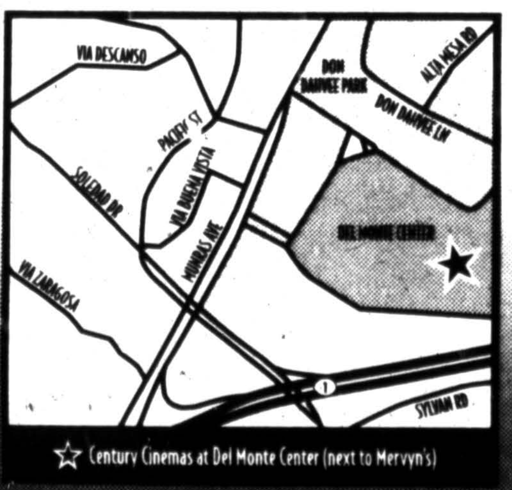

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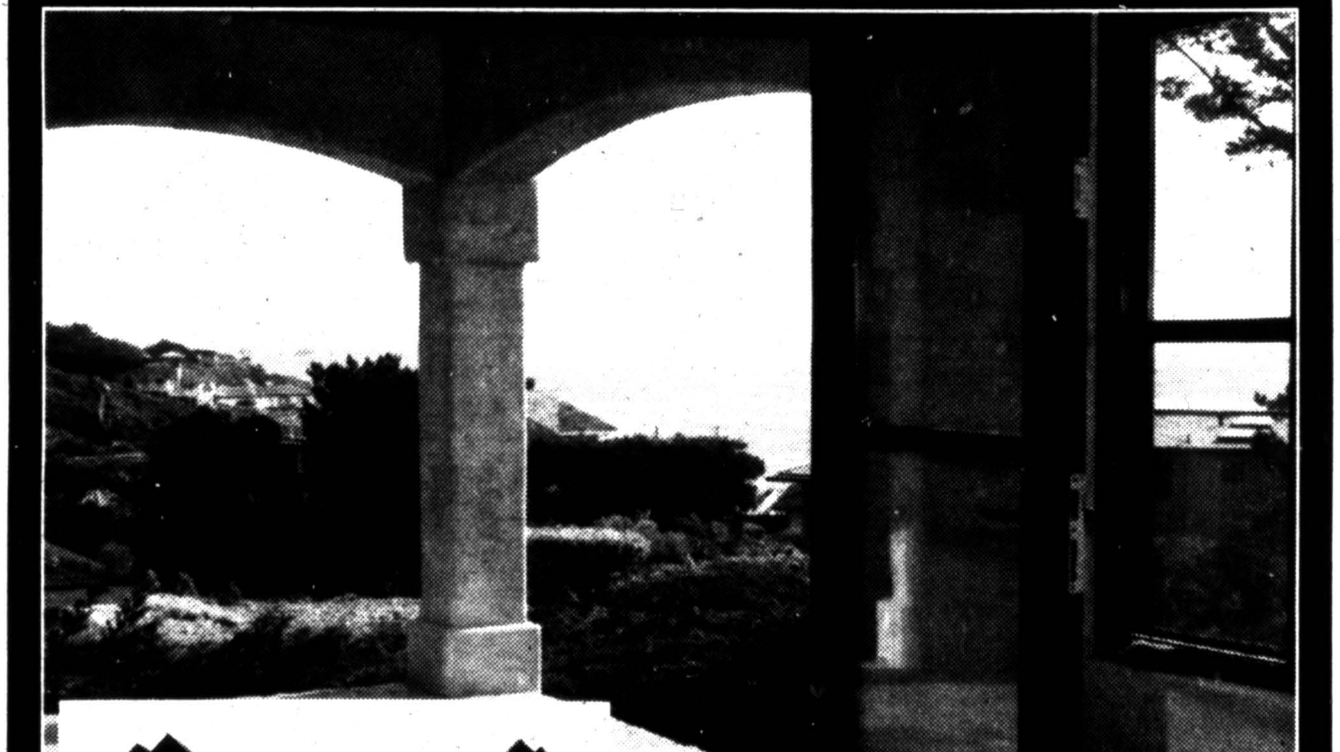
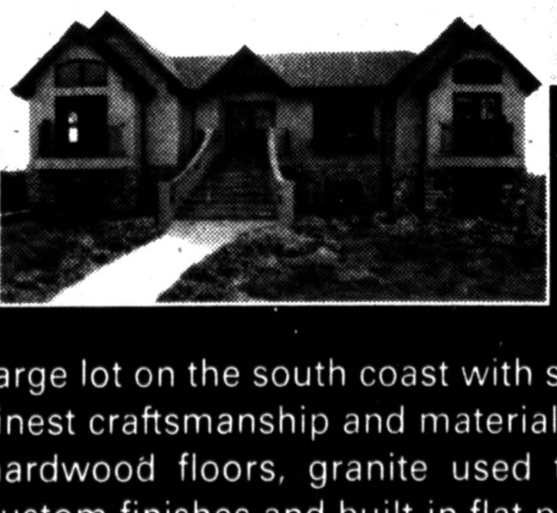
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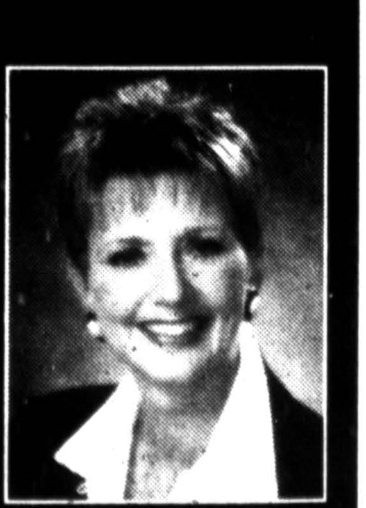
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Tularcitos kids raise money for tsunami victims

By MARY BROWNFIELD

EVEN DISASTERS can yield something good, and last month's tsunami in the Indian Ocean is no exception.

Students at Tularcitos Elementary School in Carmel Valley are raising funds to help children suffering in the aftermath of the tidal wave.

Because Carmel Unified School District teaches "pillars of character" — one pillar per month throughout the school year — and January's is caring, Tularcitos' first, third and fifth grades developed Coins for Caring.

"We thought, 'What better way to teach caring than by raising money for the tsunami victims?'" teacher Paula Motley explained. "And people have coins everywhere, so we thought kids could ask their parents and go into their piggy banks."

Teams of students visited classrooms Thursday to explain the coin drive and leave shoe boxes and posters in each.

The campaign will run through January, when students and teachers will convert their pile of coins into a check for UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund. News reports indicate at least half of the 150,000 people killed by the tsunami were children. Thousands of others were orphaned or lost their homes in the disaster.

At Tularcitos, fourth graders are selling hot cocoa and popcorn during recess to raise money for UNICEF.

"It's nice for people to see how our kids are giving back," Motley said.

Anyone wishing to donate can leave coins at Tularcitos, 35 Ford Road, in the valley.

Other relief efforts

Since the disaster struck, $70,000 has poured in at the the Carmel chapter of the American Red Cross. Among them is $1,000 from the 17 members of the Carmel Police Officers Association.

"We obviously can't all go over there to help, so this was the least we could do," said officer Chris Johnson.

POA members pay $25 per month in dues and undertake an annual fundraiser by mail. The group receives no city money and uses its funds to help families of sick, injured or killed police officers.

Hofmann praised their generosity and that of others who have donated. Their money has helped send experts overseas to assess health needs and set up potable water supplies and infrastructure.

Anyone desiring to donate can drop a check at the Red Cross at Dolores and Eighth.

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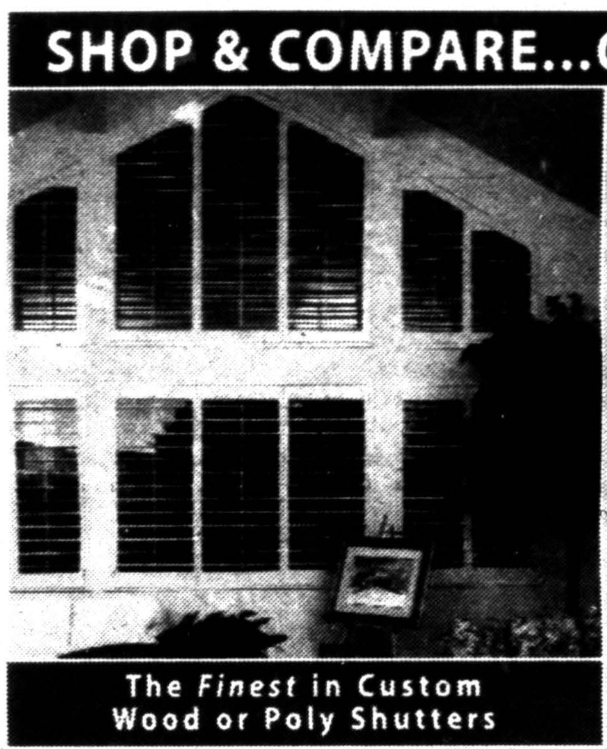

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Carmel Valley

Beach breach juggles people vs. steelhead

By CHRIS COUNTS

WEIGHING THE welfare of young steelhead in the Carmel River Lagoon against the welfare of local residents living in the flood plain, the Monterey County Public Works Department walked a fine line when it started breaching the mouth of a swelling Carmel River just before dawn Dec. 30.

"We were on pins and needles," said Ron Lundquist, interim Monterey County public works director. "But everything worked out fine."

In an effort to help protect steelhead from being swept out to sea with the water in the lagoon, bulldozers cut a diagonal channel in a northerly direction. The goal was to maintain a higher water level in the lagoon and a reduced flow of water to the sea than in previous years.

"We usually cut the channel toward the south," Lundquist said. "I have always felt that it tended to stay open longer and had fewer complications."

The county decided to accommodate steelhead advocates who argued for a slower-flowing northern channel, but the diagonal cut worked too well. The water flowed out too slowly and the lagoon continued to rise. One nearby residence was even sandbagged as the water level in the lagoon reached 10-and-a half feet. In response, public works opened up a second breach in a southerly direction, which drained enough of the lagoon to eliminate any threat of immediate flooding.

PHOTO/CHRIS COUNTS

Artists find inspiration in the recent breaching of the Carmel River sandbar.

Spectators who had gathered at Carmel River State Beach to watch the opening of the channel let out a collective sigh.

"It was really tight," said county supervisor Dave Potter, commending Lundquist and the public works department. "It's just a matter of inches between breaching and flooding. I was very impressed."

Managing the concerns of residents

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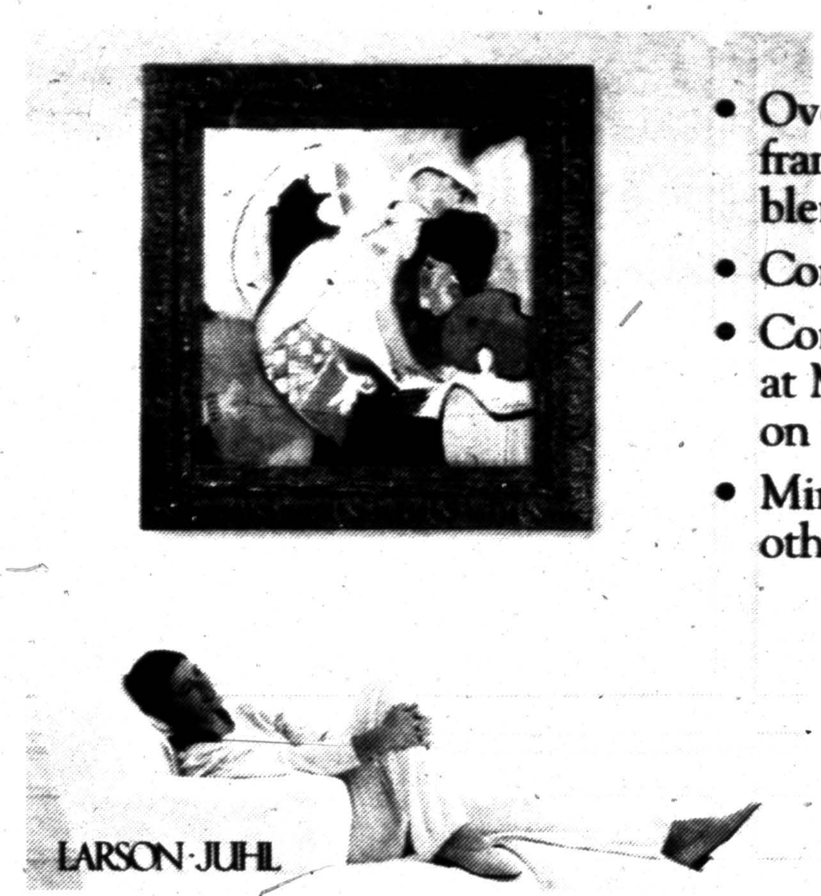

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Thieves steal 270 sheets of plywood

By MARY BROWNFIELD

UNKNOWN SUSPECTS descended upon a Torres Street home under construction last Wednesday night and drove away with 45 bundles of plywood that didn't belong to them.

Carmel police are searching for the thieves, who probably knew the wood had been delivered not long before, according to acting Sgt. Tom Nguyen. He took the report Dec. 30, 2004, after contractor Tim Mallery notified the department the lumber was missing.

"They got the shipment and loaded it into the house, and apparently someone came with a pickup, probably sometime last night, loaded up and drove off," Nguyen said last Thursday. "They left five [bundles] behind — they probably got scared off."

Each of the 45 bunches of plywood contained six sheets measuring 8 feet long by three-eighths of an inch thick. The total loss was valued at $1,260, according to Nguyen.

Because it took workers about 15 minutes to unload the plywood when it was delivered to the home being built on Torres near 10th Avenue, Nguyen suspected the thieves spent at least that long stealing it in the middle of the night.

"I checked the area for witnesses but couldn't find any," Nguyen said. "People are pretty good at reporting construction noise after hours, so I'm surprised no one called in."

He asked anyone with information to contact the Carmel Police Department at (831) 624-6403. Detective Jesse Juarez is working on the case.

Carmel Kiwanis club hosts national security experts

KIWANIS CLUB of Carmel-by-the-Sea's noon speaker program will feature local experts on national security issues, and the public is invited to attend at Lugano's Swiss Bistro in the Barnyard on Thursdays. Dr. Donald Masters, founder of the Homeland Security Industry Association of California, will speak Jan. 13 on U.S. port security. Retired colonel and current Naval Post Graduate School professor, Dr. Hy Rothstein, recently returned from Afghanistan and will discuss that country Jan. 20. Carmel Mayor Sue McCloud, who worked in the CIA for 30 years, will discuss "The New National Intelligence Format: For Better of Worse?" Jan. 27. For more information, call (831) 624-1414.

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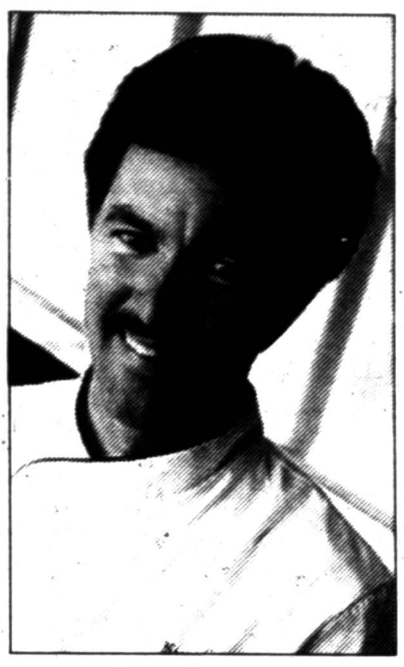
Amuse bouche

By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

KURT GRASING of **Grasing's Coastal Cuisine**, Sixth and Mission, has always had a spectacular wine cellar and it's even more so now that he has a number of Pinot Noirs and Sauvignon Blancs from **Merry Edwards Wines**. Chosen winemaker of the year by the San Francisco Chronicle in December, Merry Edwards is receiving the accolades she truly deserves.



Kurt Grasing

Twenty years ago, women winemakers were few and far between, but now they've come into their own. I first met Edwards in the 1970s when she was the founding winemaker at Matanzas Creek Winery in Sonoma Valley, and her wines were meriting much acclaim even then.

Most of Edwards' wines are from her own vineyards: Meredith Estate Vineyard, Sonoma County appellation, and Coopersville Vineyard in Russian River Valley, each vinified with its own Burgundian-style nuances. The first releases under her own label bear a 1997 vintage. The label is designed by David Lance Goines who illustrated the Chez Panisse cookbooks.

Edwards has made incredible wines from grapes from Bob Pellegrinii's Klopp Ranch, Windsor Gardens and Olivet Lane vineyards, which are designated on the labels.

Chef Grasing said he's excited about scoring so many Edwards' wines and hopes locals, who are used to drinking Pinot Noirs from Santa Lucia vineyards, will try the Merry Edwards' wines with dinners at Grasing's for a flavor profile. Her wines are aromatic, elegantly complex and ripe. The wines are made available only to select restaurants and from the winery's mailing list.

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HENK AND ADRI Dissendorp, owners of **Little Swiss Cafe** for 32 years, have transferred ownership to son **Steven** who took over as of Jan. 1. The cafe, at Sixth and Dolores, opened in the early '50s by a Swiss, then owned by a Pole until the Dissendorps bought it in 1972. It has always been known as the Swiss Cafe.

"Now the lowlanders have taken over from the highlanders," quipped Steven, who has worked in the restaurant since he was 12. To celebrate the transfer, artist **Andre Balyon** is creating a 360° painting of Holland in the back dining room. **Steven plans a celebration** for its unveiling next month.

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PASSPORT WEEKEND with its **Monterey Wine Auction & Gala** is coming our way Feb. 18 to 20 courtesy of the **Monterey County Vintners and Growers Association**. The Friday through Sunday weekend begins with passport and commemorative wine glass pick-up at any of the 20 participating Monterey County wineries. That done, wend your way to the wineries you select and enjoy food, music, entertainment and wine tasting and have your passport stamped. When you've completed touring the wineries, turn in your passport and be gifted with chocolates while you're entered in a drawing which could net you a Monterey wine country gift basket valued at more than $1,500.

Passports cost $35 before Feb. 1, $40 thereafter, and designated drivers get their passports for only $15.

On Saturday, a Monterey wine auction and gala will be held at picturesque Kendall-Jackson Wine Estates in Soledad, generally not open to the public. Shuttle transportation will leave the Monterey Marriott at 5 p.m., with transportation included in the price of the gala. Winemakers from various local wineries will host tables and pour their best wines.

Proceeds from the auction will go to the Central Coast Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice, college scholarships for local agricultural employees' children, the American Vineyard Foundation, and viticulture research through the University of California's Monterey outreach office.

Tickets are $150 each. But if you want to combine passport winery access with the gala, the combined package is $175. For tickets online, go to www.montereywines.org, or telephone (831) 375-9400.

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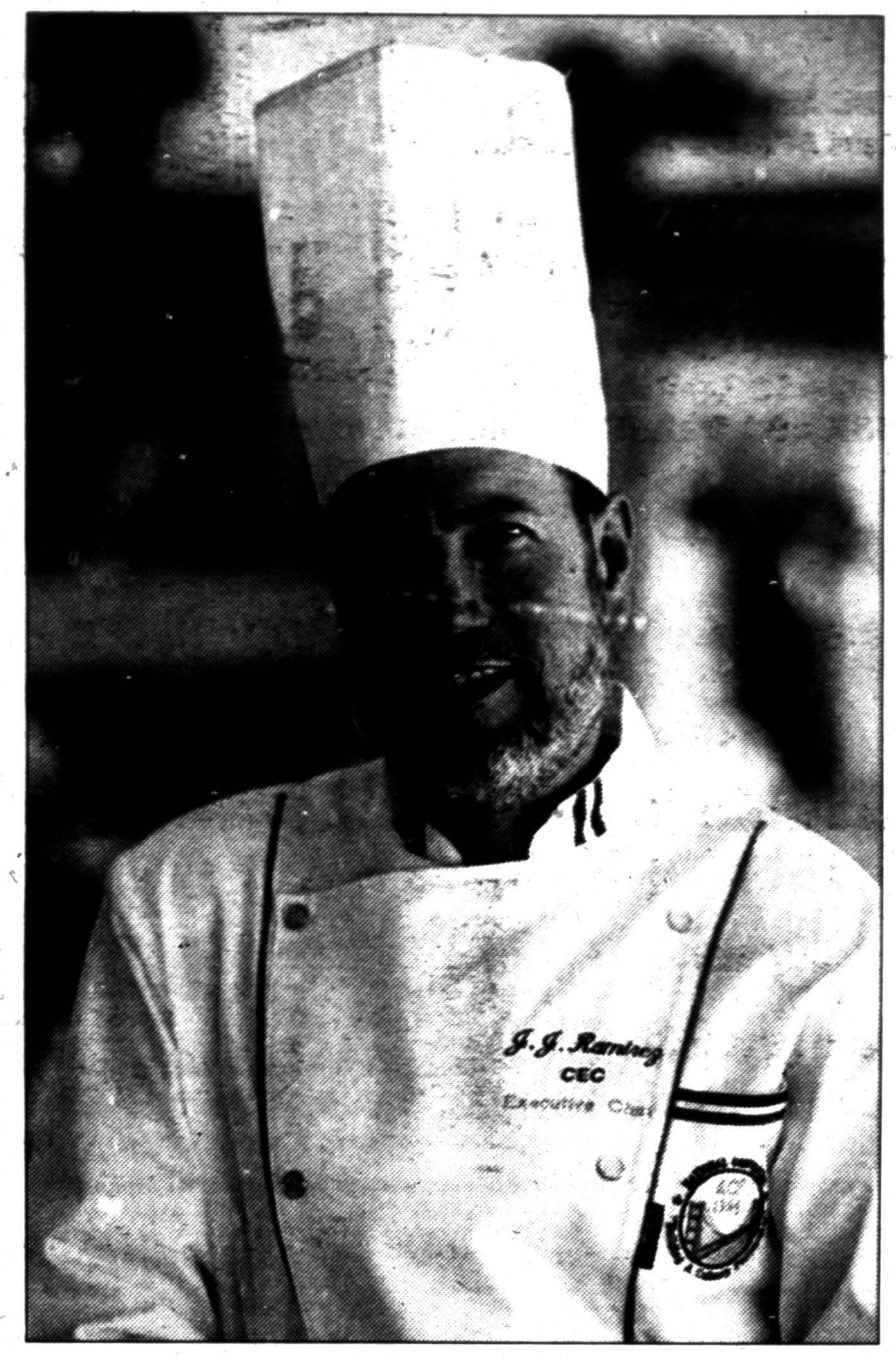

Chef Julio Ramirez

SEVEN THOUSAND dollars in **scholarships** will be awarded to five deserving Monterey County high school seniors by the **Fishwife Seafood Restaurants** and **Turtle Bay Taquerias**: A $4,000 New Millennium scholarship and four honorary scholarships of $750 each.

The New Millennium scholar will be chosen in April and must have a 3.0 GPA, be actively involved in the local community, and be a student at a Carmel, Pacific Grove, Monterey, or Seaside high school.

Restaurateurs **Julio Ramirez**, **Marie Perucca-Ramirez** and **Jefferson Seay** established the scholarships to help motivated Peninsula students. Applicants will be asked to describe their goals, the hardships they have overcome and how these hardships have made them better people.

Applications can be picked up from the managers of Fishwife restaurants and Turtle Bay Taquerias, or from high school counselors. Deadline for completed applications is March 15.

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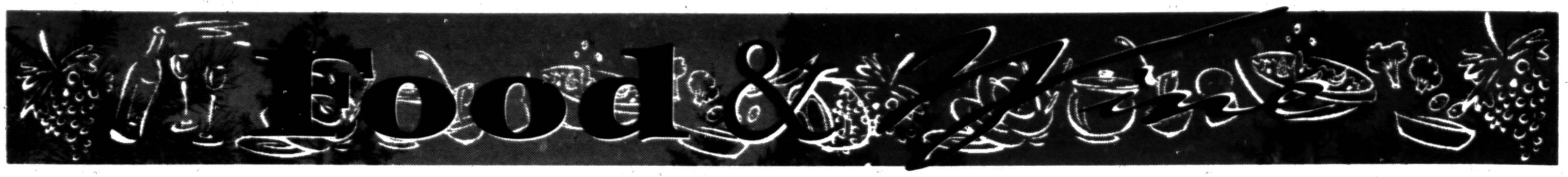

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EXPERT ON Palestine to speak: Glenn Robinson, professor of defense analysis at the Naval Postgraduate School, will speak at a luncheon sponsored by the World Affairs Council on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at La Playa Hotel, Carmel. Professor Robinson has recently returned from an extended stay on the West Bank and will discuss the upcoming Palestinian presidential election. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at noon. The cost is $28 for members and $30 for nonmembers. Please call (831) 643-1855 to make reservations by Jan. 13.

TAELEN THOMAS will portray **Mark Twain** at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 17, at the Carmel Woman's Club, Ninth and San Carlos, Carmel-by-the-Sea. Thomas will bring the humor, musings and stories from Twain's life to the stage. Tea and sandwiches will be served following the meeting. The public is invited to attend. Admission is $3. Contact (831) 622-7412 for additional information.

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AMUSE BOUCHE

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MARCH 19 has been set for the **CASA benefit black tie gala** at **Chateau Julien Winery**, Carmel Valley Road, so mark your calendars now. CASA stands for Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children of Monterey Country. The "Lighting the Way" committee is working on plans for fine wines and great food and tempting auction items. More later.

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GRAPESTEAK WINE Country Cuisine, 6 Pilot Road, Carmel Valley Village, is offering $10 off any two dinner entrées and $5 off any two lunch entrées through Feb. 28. Formerly named The New Summerhouse Restaurant, Grapesteak has a garden and an enclosed heated patio where dogs are welcome, and an indoor fireplace and floral paintings by Simon Bull. Sample menu: Chinese chicken salad, risotto with prawns, filet mignon with Bernaise sauce, sautéed Monterey Bay sand dabs and double entrecôte steak for two. Grapesteak is open Wednesday through Friday 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., including brunch. For information, call (831) 659-5020.

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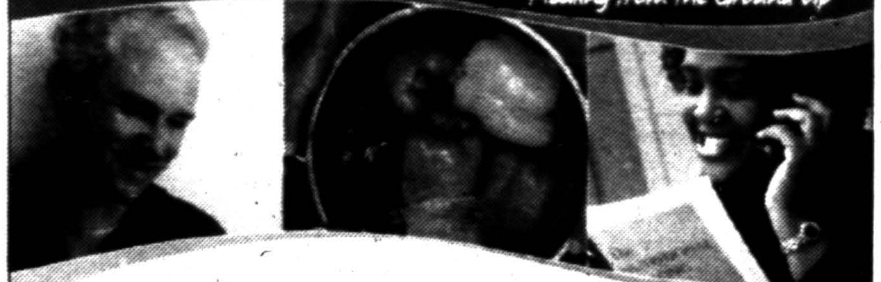

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Watches, on the verge of divorcing jewelry, reconcile

By MARY BROWNFIELD

HE WAS on the verge of finally getting what he wanted, after multiple fights before the Carmel Planning Commission and city council, but in the end, watchmaker Hughes Beck decided he didn't want the city to amend its zoning code after all.

Set to adopt the final version of an law that would have permitted clock shops like his — not just the city's 32 licensed jewelry stores — to sell watches, the council heard Tuesday that Beck had changed his mind.

In a letter hand delivered to city hall Jan. 4, attorney Jim Heisinger said his client "hereby withdraws his application to amend the Carmel Municipal Code to include mechanical watches within the definition of goods allowed to be sold in clock shops.

The letter came just before the anticipated culmination of a lengthy debate on the issue. Last summer, after the city shut down Beck's clock shop on Lincoln Street because only jewelry stores are allowed to sell watches, he applied for the zoning change. He could not get a license to sell jewelry, because Carmel had already permitted 32, the maximum number allowed under the law, and he didn't want to sell jewelry anyway.

Last summer, after the city shut down Beck's clock shop because only jewelry stores are allowed to sell watches, he applied for the zoning change.

In August, the planning commission reviewed his request and recommended the law not be altered. Planning commissioners said they sympathized with Beck, but they could not see how to change the code without undercutting the city's limit on jewelry stores.

When the city council considered the request in October, Beck proposed regulations for clock shops that also sold watches: Only mechanical styles would be allowed and a qualified repair person must be on site. The council sent the idea to the planning commission, which again recommended denial in November.

At each hearing, attorneys, would-be competitors and residents argued the rules should not be changed. Some said it would reopen the door to the proliferation of jewelry stores that the 32-store cap intended to curb when it became law 20 years ago.

Supporters testified the law should be clarified and allow Beck to operate his upscale shop without a jewelry store license.

Last month, the council sided with Beck, deciding his shop would "add to the diversity and variety of goods available within the community; watches provide a timekeeping function that is separate and apart from jewelry; and the mechanisms and lore of clocks and watches make these items interesting and collectible and would add to the array of unique shops available in Carmel," according to the resolution the council was prepared to adopt for the new ordinance Tuesday. The resolution also indicated the change would not conflict with the general plan, damage the character of the city or require environmental review under California Law.

But on Tuesday, Beck, who has opened his Chatel & Co. store in The Barnyard shopping center, withdrew his application for the amendment to the zoning code, so it was not finalized. Heisinger did not say why his client gave up the fight right before he won.

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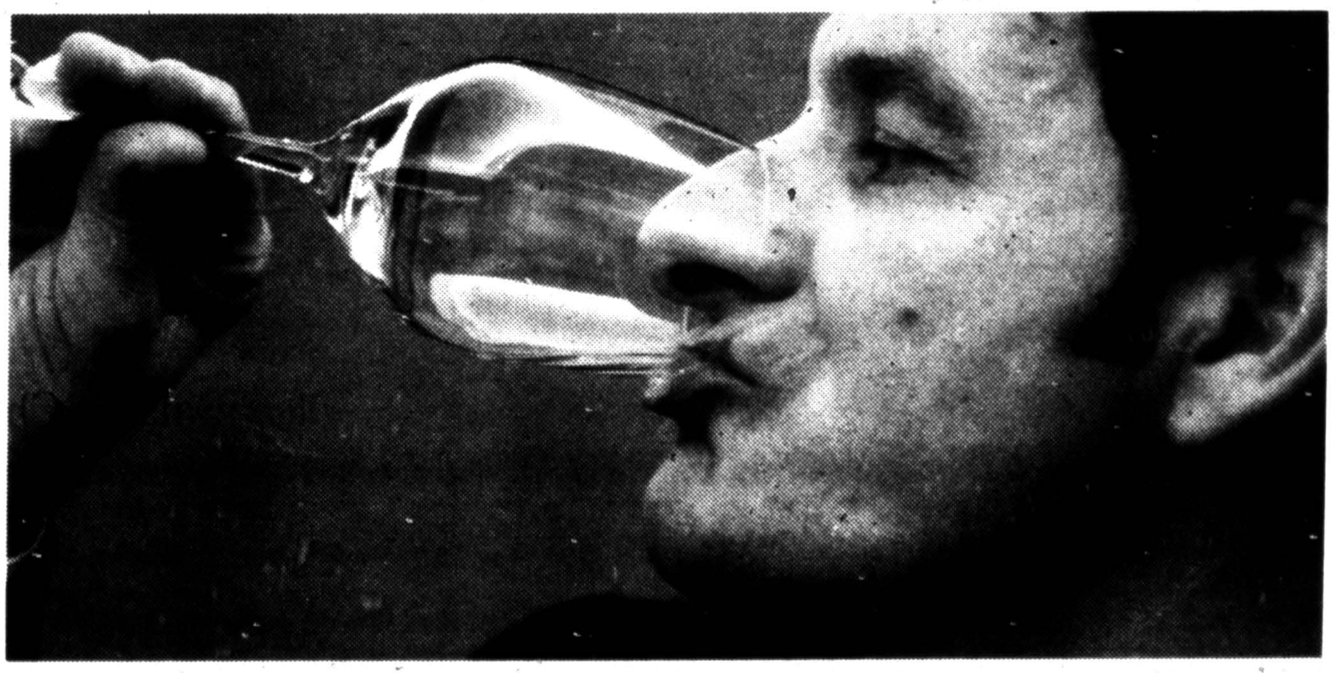

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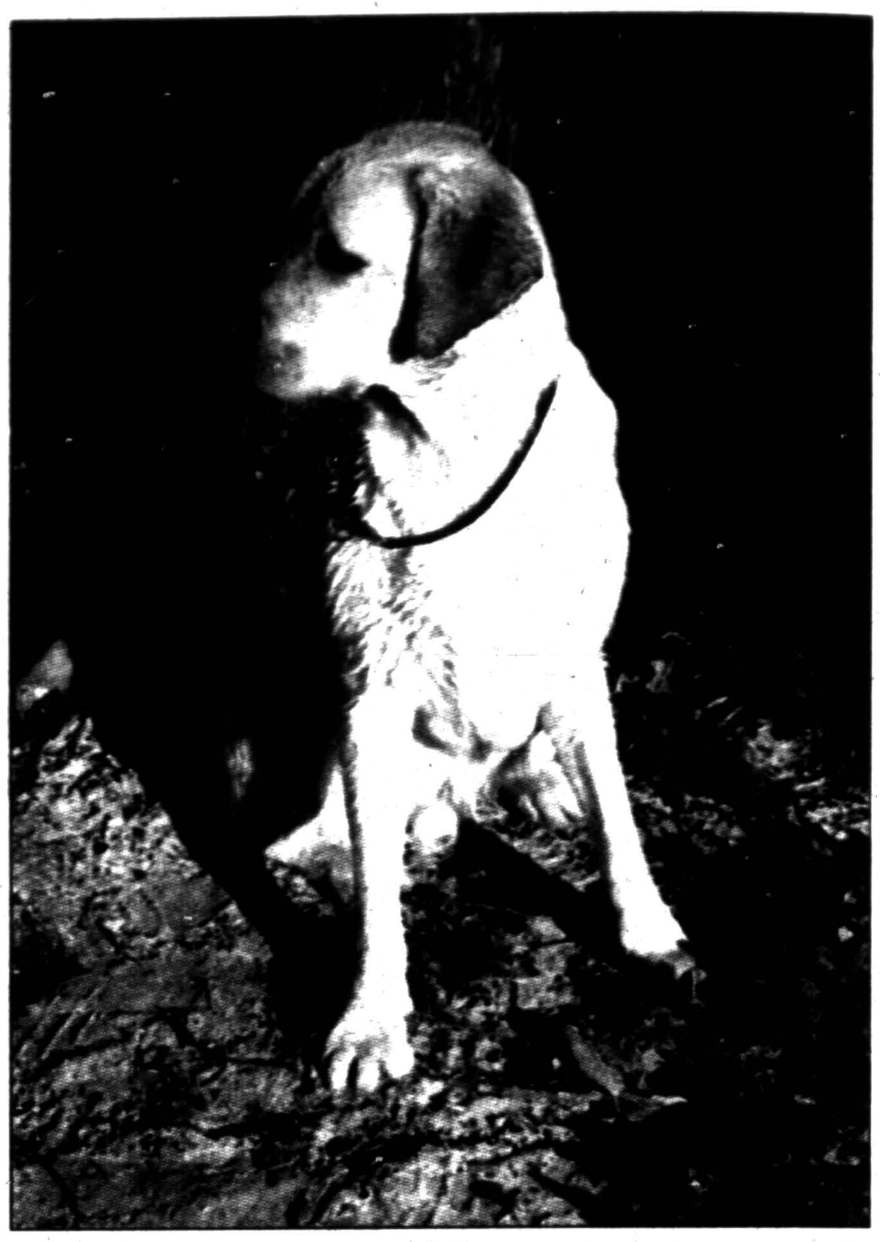
By Margot Petit Nichols

SIERRA GASPARY, 1-1/2-year-old yellow Labrador, lives in mid-valley part of the year, and in the lake and mountain area of New Hampshire the balance of the time. Either way, he gets to visit the ocean or lake for refreshing dips, summer and winter.

Labs have built in insulation in their thick fur with its under and over coats, so they dive into water even in the coldest of winters. Thursday morning, which was bright with winter sunshine but really chilly, Sierra plunged into the ocean off Carmel Beach with a smile across his handsome face.

Mom Peggy and Dad Jerry frequently take Sierra to Garland Park and to the beach during the week. When he arrives at the top of the Scenic Road dunes, Sierra scans the beach looking for the Kreger Lab clan. Emma Kreger, who has been on the lookout for him, leaves the shoreline and awaits Sierra's descent.



"He tears down the dune to her, like a scene in a Hollywood movie," Mom Peggy said of the two who obviously have a crush on one another. Their reunion is always joyous, as if they had been separated for weeks. Much running, jumping and playing follow.

Mom said Sierra is "such a prince, so loving and kind," she is making preliminary arrangements for him to be a therapy dog at CHOMP.

At home, Sierra is not permitted to eat his parents' food, no matter how much he dogs their heels during dinner preparation. After meals, he inspects the rug under Dad's place at the table, hoping for even the most minute of crumbs. On red-letter days, he's allowed a little peanut butter in his Kong toy.

Although his parents have had two other labs over the years, they weren't cosseted like Sierra. "He even sleeps with us," Mom Peggy said. "When you

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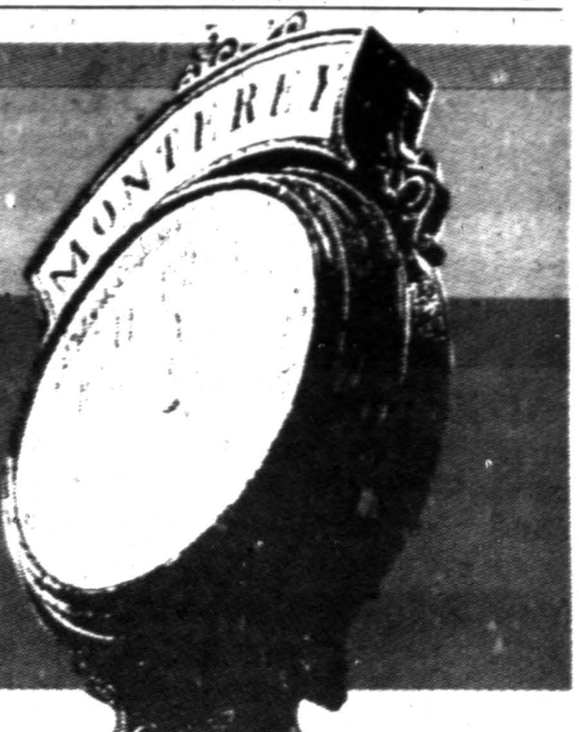

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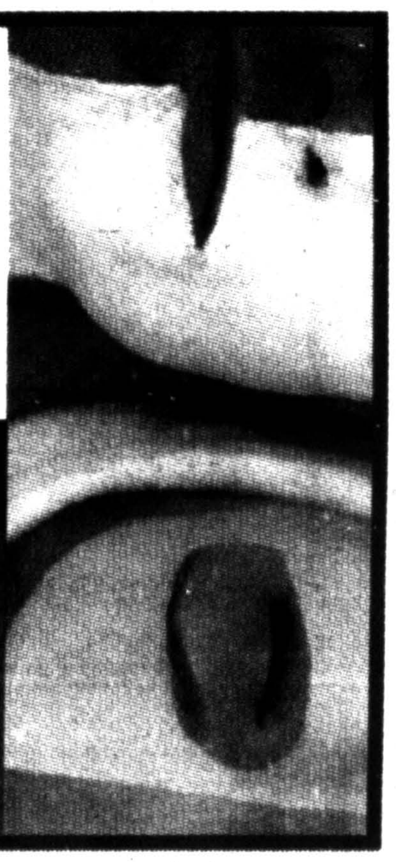

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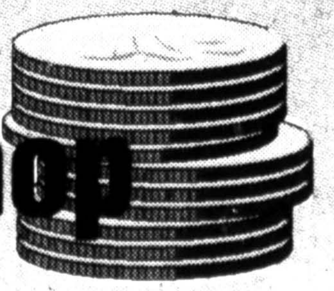

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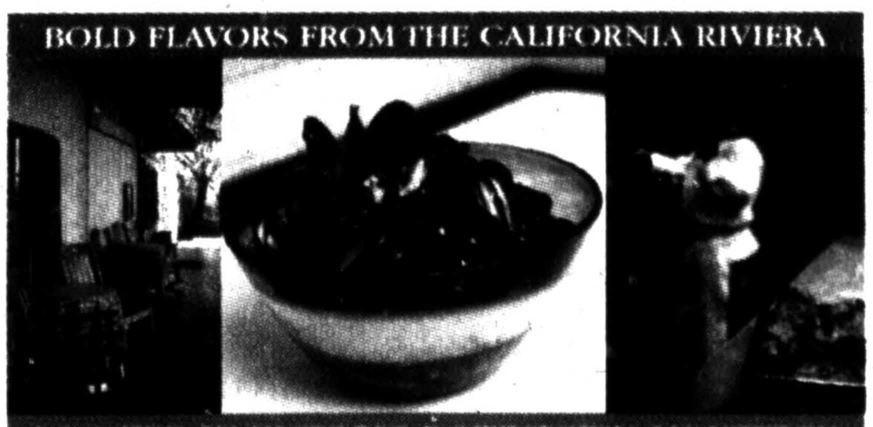

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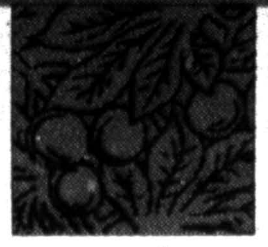

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Born in the Bronx, N.Y., Mr. Carroll, along with his parents and two brothers, Martin and Vincent, worked diligently throughout the Great Depression. He lied about his age in order to join the U.S. Navy in 1935.

Proud of his Navy service, Mr. Carroll became very well educated and traveled, not only with the Navy during World War II, but later in civilian life. He graduated from the University of Western Australia and worked as an executive for General Motors overseas before returning to the states.

Mr. Carroll is survived by his wife of 43 years, Barbara; son Wayne, and grandsons Christopher and Todd.

HARVEY EUGENE "GENE" ZION, 71, longtime resident of Carmel Highlands, died Dec. 5, 2004, at Monterey Pines Skilled Nursing Facility.

Born in Oklahoma and raised in Texas by his parents, Fred and Madelyn, he graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 1957 with a degree in business. The following year he relocated to California, working for various credit agencies in San Francisco. In 1960 Mr. Zion joined forces with Bruce Jones and Bill Holznecht and became a partner in J-H Development Co., which constructed a 100-bed sub-acute skilled nursing facility in Oakland. He supervised all non-nursing departments. The company also developed apartment buildings in Oakland and San Francisco as well as a residential care facility in Oakland.

Mr. Zion traveled extensively in Europe over the years. In 1963 he took up part-time residency in the Carmel Highlands and moved there permanently in 1975 after living in Paris and Cannes.

He pursued many interests. His contribution over seven years to the Hospice program allowed him to win the Volunteer of the Year for the Monterey Peninsula. He was also a strong supporter of Redwings Horse Sanctuary.

Mr. Zion was a longtime member of the Carmel Valley Racquet Club, where he enjoyed tennis and aerobics. He stayed fit by walking from his home in the Carmel Highlands into Carmel along Highway 1, mostly with his friend Bill Holznecht. For 15 years locals waved as they drove by.

He was a gourmet cook and delighted many guests at his home with his innovative creations inspired by his collection of Gourmet magazines and a large assembly of cookbooks. Mr. Zion was also a collector by nature and amassed a very large collection of limited edition teddy bears. He attended teddy bear conventions around the country and knew most of the bear crafters personally.

Mr. Zion is survived by his close friends and companions in the Carmel Highlands; his mother, Madelyn of Texas; and several nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his father and his brother, Tom.

Private services will be scheduled at a later date. Memorials are suggested to the Hospice of the Central Coast, P.O. Box 1798, Monterey, CA 93942.

SALLY PLATT BIBBINS KING died Jan. 2 at her Carmel home following a two-year battle against cancer. She was 80.

A native of Ann Arbor, Mich., she graduated from the University School in 1942 and was a loyal alumna in the following years.

After a year at the University of Michigan, she entered the World War II work force as a personnel assistant at the Ford Willow Run bomber plant for two years. She then attended Michigan State University and earned a B.A. in English in 1948. After graduation, she married James Whitney Bibbins, moving to Lima, Ohio. In Lima, the couple raised their daughters, Jennifer and Mary. Mrs. Bibbins was active in the Episcopal Church, was a part-time teacher of junior high English and a Red Cross Gray Lady.

In 1970, the Bibbins moved to Shaker Heights, Ohio, where she was active in the Episcopal Church in nearby Mentor, Ohio; the Friends of the Library and the Children's Guild of Cleveland and, later, worked as a librarian at the Shaker Heights facility. On moving into retirement in Chagrin

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WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PROPOSES FEE HIKE

By MARY BROWNFIELD

"IT'S THE landfill — not a dump," William Merry, general manager of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District told the Carmel City Council Tuesday, before he launched into a presentation on why dumping fees at the landfill should be raised. A public hearing on the proposed rate hike is set for 9:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18, in Marina.

The district wants to keep a full 25 percent of its $15 million budget in cash for emergencies, and for some time has been spending too much to maintain that desired reserve, even after last year's rate hike to $35 per ton of waste dumped.

Merry said his dump fees are still the lowest among landfills in Monterey, Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, San Benito, San Mateo and Alameda counties. The district hopes to add another $6 per ton next Jan. 1and $2 in 2007 and 2008.

The MRWMD Environmental Park, which includes the landfill, a recycling facility, a plant that converts waste to usable energy, household hazardous waste disposal, composting and the Last Chance Mercantile, serves 170,000 residents and businesses in 853 square miles of Monterey County. It takes in 1,200 tons of waste every day and diverts 33 percent of that to recycling programs. The landfill has a life span of 104 years, according to Merry.

He said most Peninsula cities do a good job of diverting half their waste to recycling programs, as required by state law, and they must continue doing so to avoid $10,000-per-day fines being imposed upon the district.

In addition to raising rates, Merry said allowing outside jurisdictions to dispose waste at the landfill could bring in more money.

For more on the Feb. 18 hearing, call (831) 384-5313 or visit www.mrwmd.org. The landfill is located at 14201 Del Monte Blvd. in Marina.

Milestones

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Falls, Ohio, she became a deacon of the Federated Church and was part of the parish prayer team and Stephen Ministry.

She was an accomplished golfer and a member of the Lost Creek and Shawnee country clubs in Lima and Shaker Heights, and Canterbury country club in Cleveland. She also enjoyed her bowling group and several bridge clubs. As a golfer, she enjoyed many challenging courses and played them well — The Old Course at St. Andrews, La Quinta, Pebble Beach, Old White at the Greenbriar and many others.

In 1997, she married Gerald E. (Jerry) King of Carmel. The years of this marriage brought travel, more golf, dancing and togetherness.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Henry Platt; and husband, James Whitney Bibbins.

She is survived by her daughters, Jennifer Smith and Mary Barringer; four grandsons, Brad, Greg, Blade and Bradley; and her husband, Gerald King.

A memorial service will begin at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7, at Carmel Presbyterian Church.

Donations are suggested to the Hospice Foundation, P.O. Box 1798, Monterey, CA 93942; Carmel Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 846, Carmel, CA 93921; Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula, P.O. Box HH, Monterey, CA 93942; or the charity of the donor's choice.

WILBERT CHARLES MANKE, D.D.S., who practiced dentistry in Carmel for 12 years, died Jan. 3. He was 86.

Born in Chicago, he received his D.D.S. degree from the University of Illinois and a master's in oral surgery from Northwestern University.

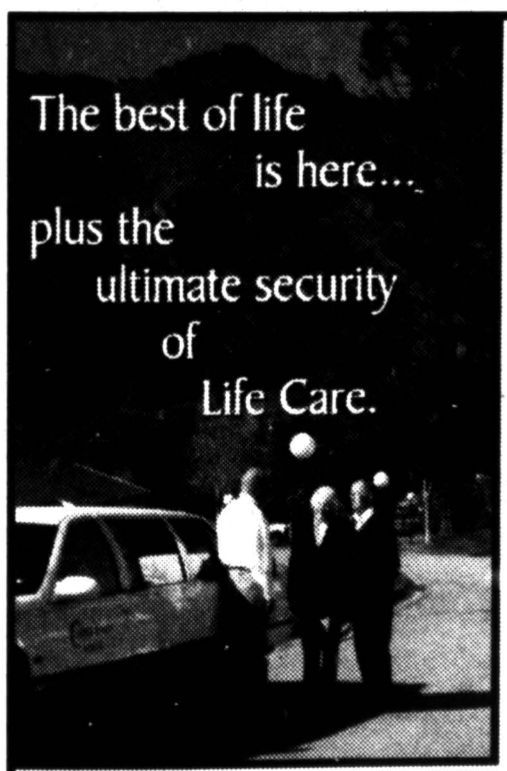
Dr. Manke was a retired U.S. Navy captain, having served on the battleship USS Iowa during World War II in the South Pacific. After his Navy service, which included time in the Mediterranean, Cuba and Japan, Dr. Manke practiced dentistry locally, retiring in 1978.

His passion in retirement was the enriching experience of travel.

Dr. Manke is survived by his son, Christopher of Carmel; a daughter, Melissa Olvera; and his grandchildren, Jessica and Scott of Carmel and Gretchen, Eben and Penelope Olvera, of Carmel Valley.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Rosemarie, a watercolorist, in 1996.

The family asks that any memorial contributions be made to the Big Sur Land Trust, P.O. Box 221864, Carmel, CA 93922; or the Monterey Museum of Art, 559 Pacific St., Monterey, CA 93940.



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TRAFFIC

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indicate the majority (85 percent or more) of the traffic moves at or below the 25 mph speed limit. On narrow streets, the 85th percentile is lower, ranging between 16 and 18 mph," Carmel Police Chief George Rawson wrote in his staff report. He also said traffic collision rates, particularly those between vehicles and pedestrians, do not indicate a problem. "Despite these facts, there are residents who perceive a speeding and safety problem persists."

Among them are members of the traffic commission who want the council to reduce speed limits.

In order to do that, the city will have to find the money for engineering studies, which traffic engineer Barbara Van Heerden of Higgins Associates estimated would cost $380 per street, according to Rawson.

If the limits are reduced, the public works department would have to erect new 15 mph signs on every street at an estimated cost of $300 per sign.

"We're going to have to be very aggressive in the 15 mph signage. Otherwise, people will be confused," Rawson said, because unsigned residential streets are assumed to have 25 mph limits. "The ideal way is to have the whole city be 15 mph. But you can't do that."

The traffic safety commission cited complaints, discussions, studies and observations as justification for reducing the speed limits to make the streets safer.

"The commission . . . instructs the chief of police to present these findings and recommendations to council for further action," read the motion adopted Jan. 5.

They suggested the council could tackle the matter by dividing the city into quadrants, and contracting with Higgins Associates for studies. They did not recommend dealing only with known trouble spots, such as Eighth Avenue east of Junipero or Dolores Street near Santa Lucia.

"If you don't ask for much, you don't get much," Roetter said.

"If they say no, then we go to plan B and take on the troubled areas, and come back," chairman Tom Conmy said.

"Incrementalism has worked — we have five or six areas that are 15 mph," Rawson said, including Scenic Road, Dolores Street near the Stevenson lower school and Mountain View. But those exceptions were made because of particular safety concerns.

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LAGOON

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and steelhead, public works appeared to have succeeded on both counts. Roy Thomas, president of the Carmel River Steelhead Association, was satisfied with the job performed by county workers.

"This is the best breaching we've seen in three years," Thomas said. "The channel is also quite scenic. It's a beautiful curve."

But Thomas said the breaching, which has been done for decades, represented a great risk to the steelhead.

"If there is no water, there are no fish," he said. "It's like pulling the plug in a bath tub." And he said it's too early to determine how the steelhead were affected by this year's two cuts in the sandbar.

"All we can do is imagine at this point," he said.

Joyce Ambrosius, a team leader for NOAA Fisheries, agreed the county performed a balancing act.

"We tried to find a way to breach and not pull the fish out of the lagoon," she said.

The county's action last week drained the lagoon to a level of about four-and-a half feet, Ambrosius said. In previous years, the level fluctuated between two-and-a-half and three feet. For young steelhead, two feet can make a big difference — the Carmel River mouth is a popular place for hungry birds.

For Lundquist, the bulldozing of the sandbar is a new adventure each year.

"There are a lot of variables," he said. "It is not easy to predict what will happen when the lagoon is opened."

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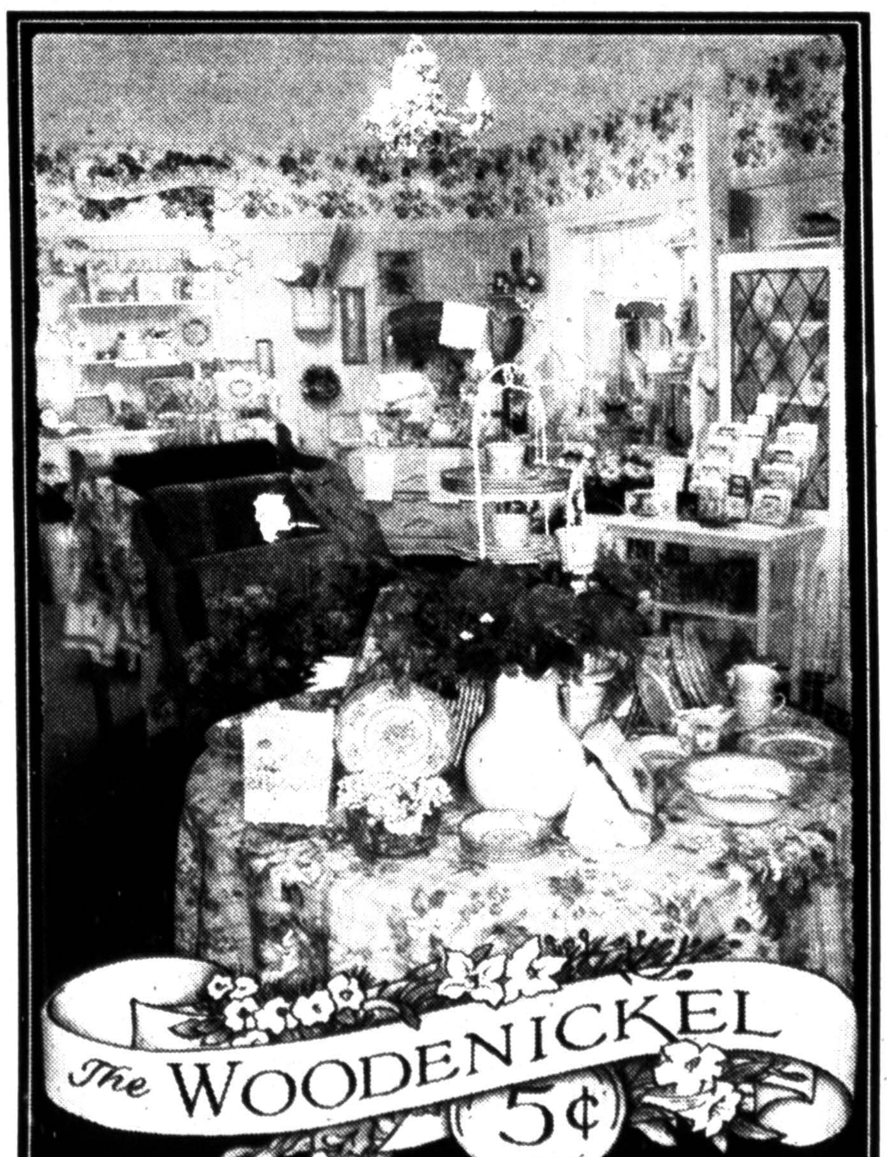

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According to the Feb. 11, 1960, Pine Cone, towering waves "damaged cliffside homes, hurled boulders across Scenic Road on Carmel Point and destroyed the pier and boathouse at Stillwater Cove in Pebble Beach."

The Butterfly House — the Scenic Road home across from Tor House owned by Stephen Kahn — was blasted by a huge wave which broke the front window.

"According to Mr. Kahn, great quantities of water poured through the opening, swept across the breakfast room area and threw Mrs. Kahn against a chair as she fled before the surge. Until X-rays were taken, it was thought she had suffered a broken rib.

"Boulders, sand and kelp littered the floor. Sheets of heavy plywood were nailed to the outside of windows facing the ocean in the Kahn house as the thundering waves continued to pound the shore."

Elsewhere, the waves tore part of the roof off a Yankee Point home, and the surf that carried off the 300-foot Stillwater Cove pier and boathouse also smashed five boats to pieces.

The waves were the result of high tides driven by gale-force winds, according to the story.

TSUNAMI

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indicates 37,433 at-risk people, including 6,241 children. Specific areas are:

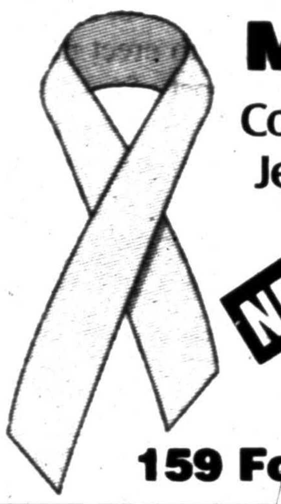
- Carmel-by-the-Sea: 3,079;
- Del Monte Forest: 2,442;
- Marina: 5,134;
- Monterey: 13,124;
- Pacific Grove: 8,869;
- Sand City: 295; and
- Seaside: 4,165.

Because Carmel P.D. has its own 911 dispatch and an emergency operations centers, it would receive notification and mobilize resources quickly, Rawson said.

But if an earthquake occurs closer to shore, the warning centers might not be able to notify coastal communities in time. Rawson advised anyone who happens to be on the beach at the time of an earthquake to seek high ground, which in Carmel can be reached just a short walk from the shore.

Robins invited all coastal cities to participate in the tsunami response plan and intends to include the California Department of Parks and Recreation as well. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, the Monterey Harbormaster and representatives from the weather service are also involved.

"We've got a pretty good group, but we have to expand it and get more people involved," he said. "There may be other options people want to explore, such as sirens, but if we go that route, it has to be universal. The most important word is, 'consistency.'"



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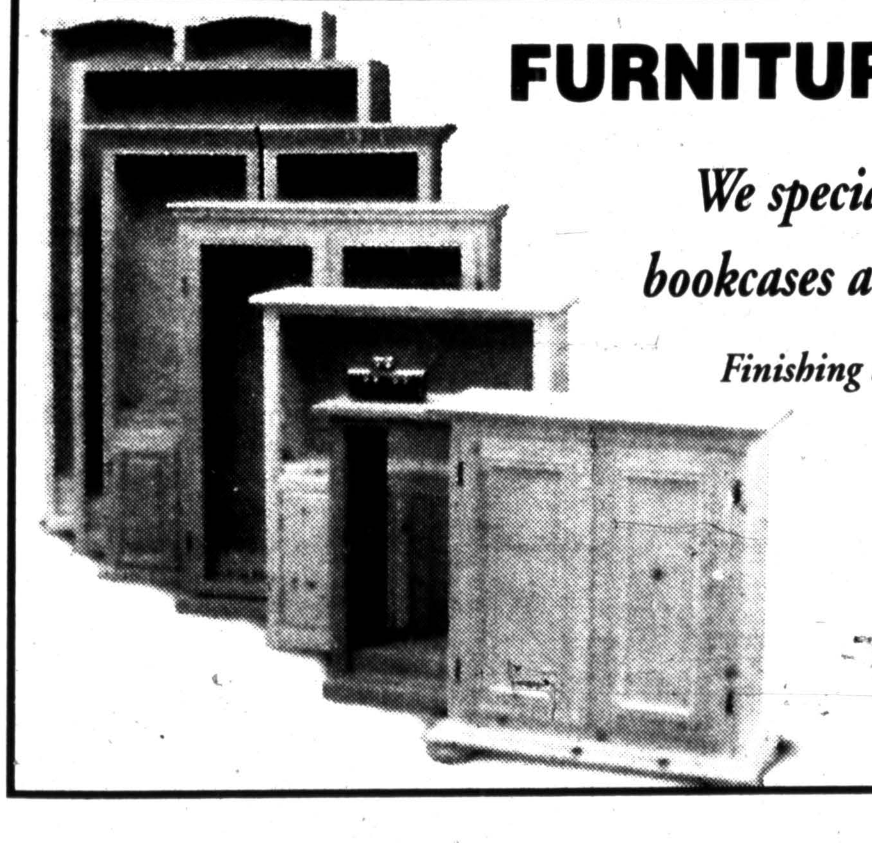

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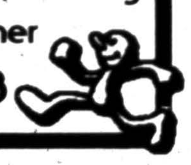

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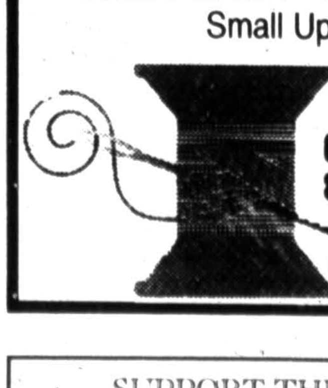

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By MITCH KASTROS, CARMEL FIRE DEPARTMENT

Safety tips from the Carmel Fire Department

CELLULAR TELEPHONES, when used properly, are valuable tools in today's fast-paced world. However, they do present health and safety issues people should be aware of.

Though most studies have shown that even heavy cell phone use does not damage the brain, why not avoid excess exposure to radiation from cell phones? Buying a mobile phone with a low SAR rating (the amount of radiation from the phone that is absorbed into the brain during normal use) will minimize exposure. The national safety standard in the United States requires that cell phones put out no more than 1.6 watts.

Subscribing to a program that provides the best coverage in your area, and using your cell phone only when you have a strong signal, will minimize the amount of radiation exposure. Modern cell phones use adaptive power control technology, which means that the better your phone signal, the less power your phone will use and the less radiation it will emit.

Modern cell phones use technology that reduces the power when the signal is better.

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Signals can vary dramatically when indoors, so a good rule of thumb is to use the phone near a window and make sure your head is not between the phone and the window. Also, do not obstruct the phone antenna, as this will cause the phone to use more power, and thus emit more radiation. When using the phone, hold it at its base to minimize obstructing the antenna.

It is always a good idea to not use your cell phone for extremely long conversations, as this increases exposure to radiation. Waiting to have access to a regular telephone, or obtaining a hands-free kit, will help create a safer environment.

There are places where it is best to turn off your cell phone, not just out of courtesy, but also for safety's sake. Although it is rarely done, the first place to do this is behind the wheel of your vehicle. Drivers using cell phones, even hands-free sets, are distracted to begin with, slower to react and thus more likely to be involved in an accident.

It is a proven fact that using a cell phone in a hospital can interfere with the proper functioning of medical equipment, especially lifesaving machines such as mechanical ventilators. Please turn off your cell phone before entering a hospital, or better yet, do not bring it in with you.

There have been about 70 documented incidents of cell phones causing fires in gasoline stations, due to static electrical sparks. With the high volatility of gas fumes it is a wonder more fires have not occurred. Though not likely, these incidents can have tragic and catastrophic consequences. It is becoming a common practice for service stations to ask, and sometimes demand that customers turn off their cell phones while near gas pumps.

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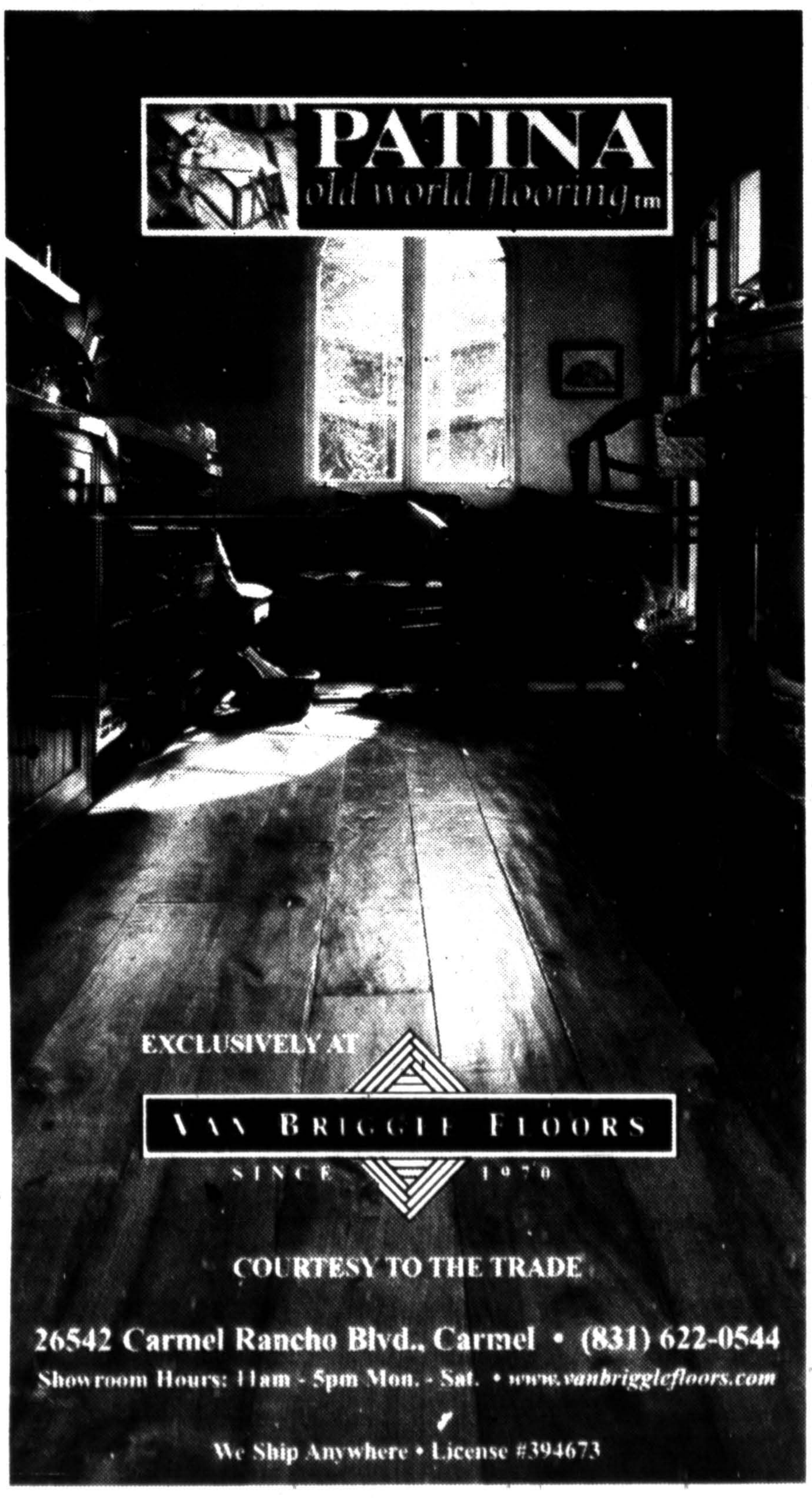
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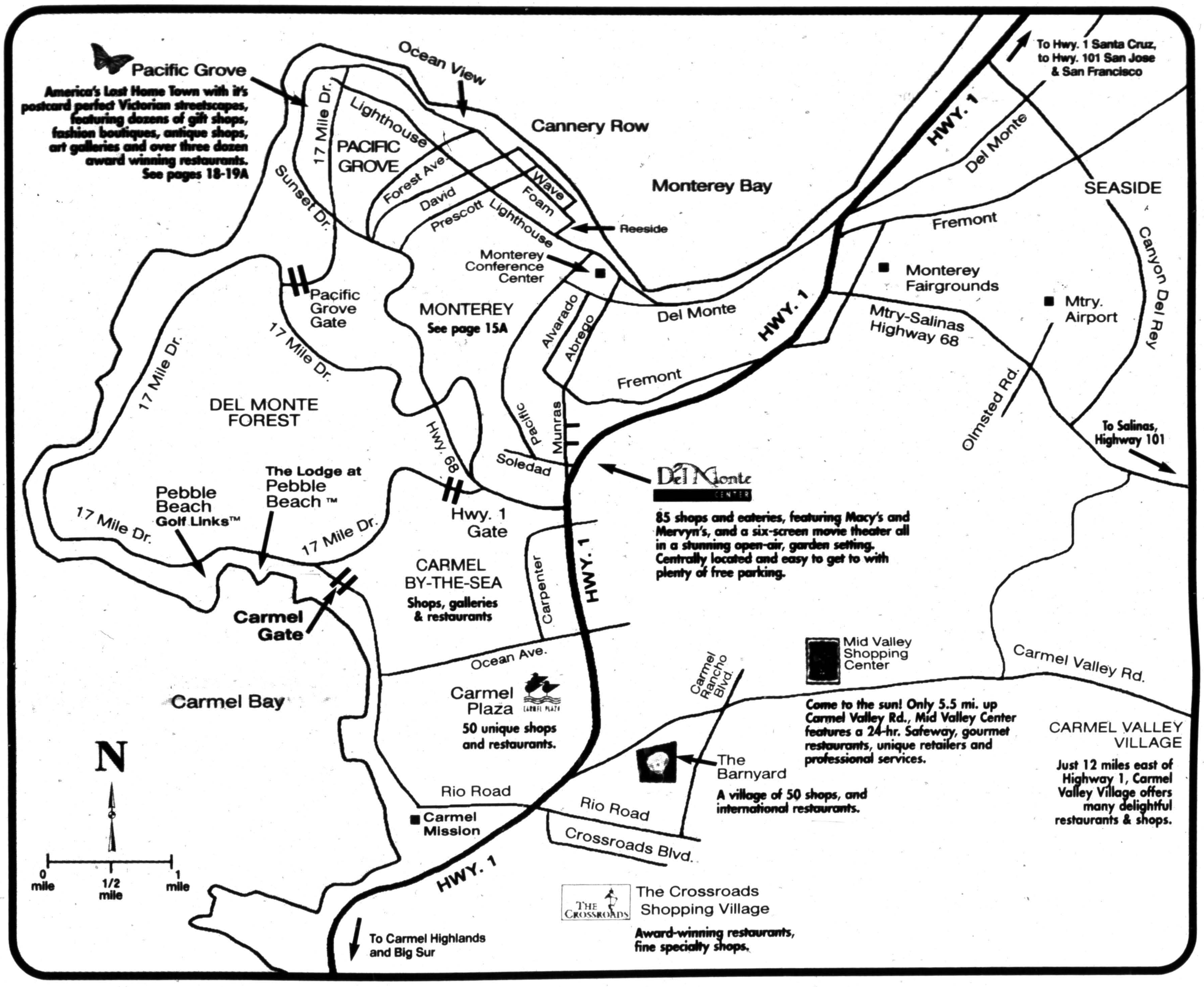
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If you thought 2004 had great concerts, prepare for stellar jazz, blues in new year

Plugged In

By Stephen L. Vagnini

IT IS safe to say, 2004 was a very good year for jazz and popular music in Carmel and on the Monterey Peninsula. **The Monterey Jazz Festival** celebrated its 47th anniversary with yet another stellar lineup; the **Monterey Bay Blues Festival** turned 19 in fine style and **Dixieland Monterey** achieved 24 years of promoting classic jazz, swing and ragtime.

The **KRML Jazz and Blues Store** relocated to the Eastwood Building within the city limits of Carmel-by-the-Sea and continued to book a wealth of established and rising jazz stars. Hotel lounges in the **Hyatt Regency**, the **Inn at Spanish Bay**, the **Highlands Inn Park Hyatt** and the **Lodge at Pebble Beach** all continued to provide jazz offerings on a regular basis, and clubs like **Sly McFly's, Ocean Thunder, Viva's** and **Cibo's**, all located in Monterey, booked bands to dance to.

Thanks to the emergence of the **Sunset Center** as a viable performing arts venue, a plethora of touring acts made their way to Carmel providing a series of memorable concerts. Led by the Monterey Jazz Festival's **"Jazz at Sunset Series,"** the renovated Carmel jewel hosted concerts by a long list of world-class jazz artists including pianist-composer Ahmad Jamal, jazz violinist Regina Carter, sax legend Wayne Shorter, Poncho Sanchez, The Rites of String, plus the Blind Boys of Alabama. Other promoters gave us bluegrass master David Grisman, rock icon Patti Smith, blues artists Taj Mahal and Keb Mo, Sergio Mendes, Lyle Lovett, David Sanborn among others, and more can be expected this coming year.

Adding to this already impressive smorgasbord of music offerings, the recent purchase and ongoing renovation of the downtown **State Theatre** in Monterey shows great promise for yet another larger live music venue. New owner Warren Dewey, a successful sound engineer and businessman from Los Angeles, plans to promote live music in conjunction with films and film festivals. According to Dewey, musical offerings at the State Theatre will be more

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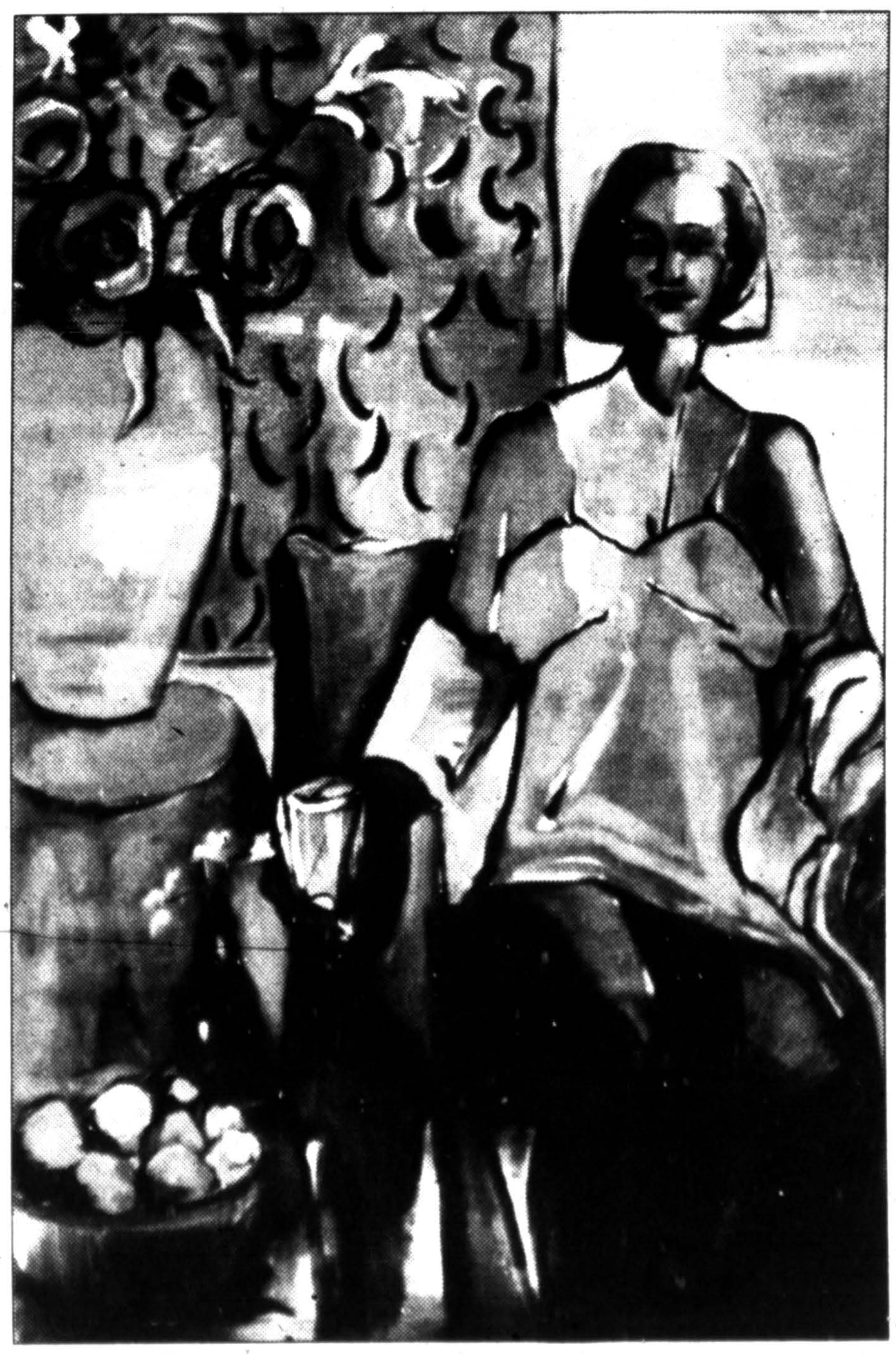

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Michael Hill Blues Mob

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Rancho Productions continues to promote live music in Carmel Valley and will present a two-part event, **"Blues at the Barn,"** at Hidden Valley Theatre this Friday and Saturday, Jan. 7 and 8. **The Colin John Band** and **Michael Hill Blues Mob** play on Friday and the **Phantom Blues Band** on Saturday.

Based out of Cleveland, Colin John is a relative newcomer to the West Coast but has achieved a measure of success with tight guitar riffs, clever tunes and strong vocals. Michael Hill, who performed at last year's Blues in the Park, has released four critically acclaimed albums and, in the process, has created a unique high brand of New York City blues. The Phantom Blues Band, which performed last year at Hidden Valley, is the back-up band for Taj Mahal and appeared on several of his albums. For more information call Do Re Mi Music at (831) 625-1229 or Rancho Productions at (831) 659-5042. Hidden Valley Theatre is located near the entrance to Carmel Valley Village, 11 miles east of Highway 1.

The Colin John Band

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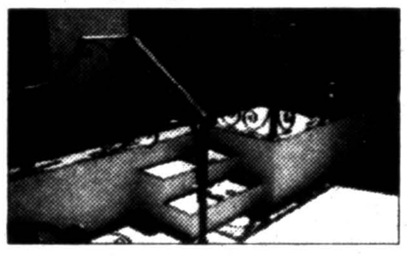

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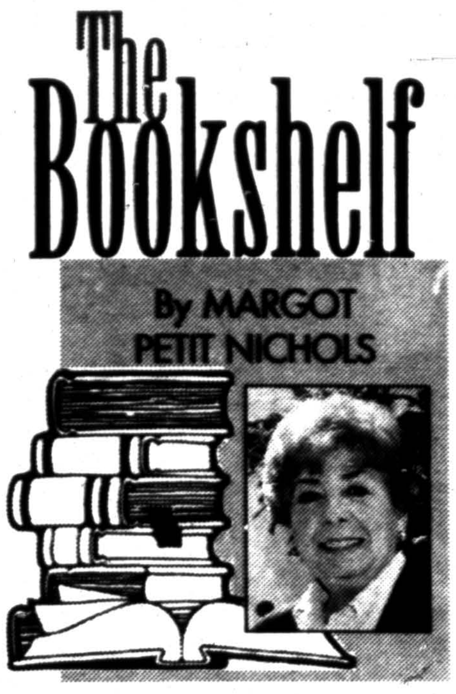
Jan de Luz writes of a life lived with 'bon courage'



By MARGOT PETIT NICHOLS

A MAN who turned recreating traditional Basque fabrics into a thriving business across France and who has opened shops in Carmel-by-the-Sea, Carmel Valley, St. Helena and Scottsdale, Arizona, has written an informative and highly attractive book, **"The French Touch."**

As the retail stores became established, he added housewares — glasses, dishes, salt and pepper mills — all the result of grooming his particular point of view. He encourages readers to hone their own sense of style.

"Bon courage," he says. "Take a chance with yourself."

Jan de Luz, a native of the Basque region, was so enamored of fabrics from southwestern France, he designed and wove reproductions in fine quality, natural-fiber linens, keeping within the parameters of an almost lost art.

It was in 1996 he and his family — wife, Brigitte, daughters Carla and Léhéna, and son Olivier — moved to the Central Coast to establish three company-owned retail stores and two licensees. He greatly expanded an import business of architectural elements and accessories rescued from ancient buildings throughout France — stone and marble mantels, farmhouse sinks, stone sentinels, pillars and fountains, even spiral staircases.

With little added bonuses of a piperade recipe and Basque-style chicken, the book is full of pleasant surprises and delicious scenes of gardens and interiors.

This 160-page book with 145 color photographs by Tom O'Neal, was published by Gibbs Smith of Layton, Utah. It retails for $39.95.

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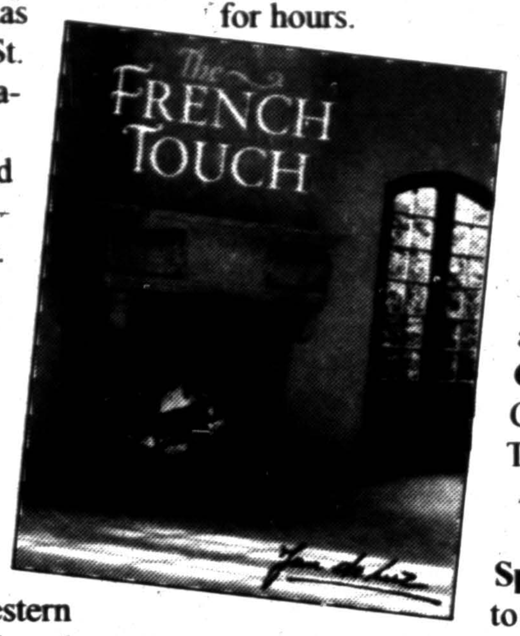
"TROUBLES: Survival Stories of Welsh and Irish Women," is a first storytelling solo CD by **Marion Lewis Besmehn** of Carmel. Besmehn has a B.A. in drama from S.F. State University and an M.A. in storytelling from East Tennessee State University. Born on the Isle of Anglesey in North Wales, Besmehn has lived and traveled in several foreign countries as well as many areas of the U.S. On this CD, recorded by **Richard Bryant**, RB Productions, Pacific Grove, she tells the tales of strong women, big dreams and two World Wars. And she does it beautifully, with a most charming accent one could listen to for hours.



We do not generally review storytelling CDs in The Bookshelf, but this was just too good to pass by. The stories are written by Besmehn and **Dorothy Mahon, Sally Bates Goodroe** sings like an angel, and there are flute interludes by **Cindy Angel Schumacher**. The CD sells for $15 at The Thunderbird Bookshop, Carmel.

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MAGGIE PAUL and **Kate Spencer**, local poets who belong to the National Writers Union Chapter 7, will read from their poetry at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14, in the Thunderbird Community Room at the Barnyard, Carmel. Paul has lived in Santa Cruz 10 years, but earned her M.A. from Tufts University and an M.F.A. in poetry from Vermont College. Her poems have appeared in prestigious journals, and she is founding member of Poetry Santa Cruz. Her chapbook, "Stones from the Baskets of Others," was published by Black Dirt Press in 2002.

Spencer is the 2004-2005 Whitney Latham-Lechich Pacific Grove Poet in Residence and a professional visual artist and naturalist. She graduated from Smith College, Massachusetts, in 1993 and until 2000 worked as a scientific illustrator for the Smithsonian. After a long visit as Artist in Residence at Hopkins Marine Station, she took up residence on the Peninsula. Her poetry draws images from the mid-Atlantic forests where she grew up. Admission to the poetry reading is $5.

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A LIBRARY refurbishment project in the East Wing of Robinson Jeffers' Tor House on Carmel Point, when complete, will allow qualified researchers access to the fully cataloged materials and books. The entire project will cost an estimated $20,000. A $10,000 matching grant has been made from the National Endowment for the Arts. **Alex Vardamis**, president of the **Tor House Foundation**, said that any gift made toward matching funds will be deeply appreciated.

"The receipt of a grant from the very selective NEA is an indication of the prestige and credibility of the Tor House Foundation," Vardamis said.

The NEA check will be sent only when the $10,000 has been matched.

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Entries accepted for high school poetry awards

THE CARL Cherry Center for the Arts and Monterey Public Library announce the 2005 Robert Campbell Monterey County High School Poetry Awards. Certificates of merit, cash and books of poetry will be awarded at a reading and ceremony honoring students on Saturday, April 30, at the Monterey Public Library.

An anthology celebrating the work of 25 student poets will be published by the Cherry center. The poetry awards will be held in conjunction with the annual high school poetry exhibit, "Thinking Out Loud."

Entries must be postmarked by March 24 and sent to the Carl Cherry Center for the Arts, P.O. Box 863, Carmel, CA 93921. For complete information on how to submit entries, contact the center at (831) 624-7491.

Poetry must be original, and may be composed in English, Spanish, or a combination. The author must currently be enrolled in a Monterey County high school, and no more than three poems will be allowed per author. No poem may be more than 40 lines.

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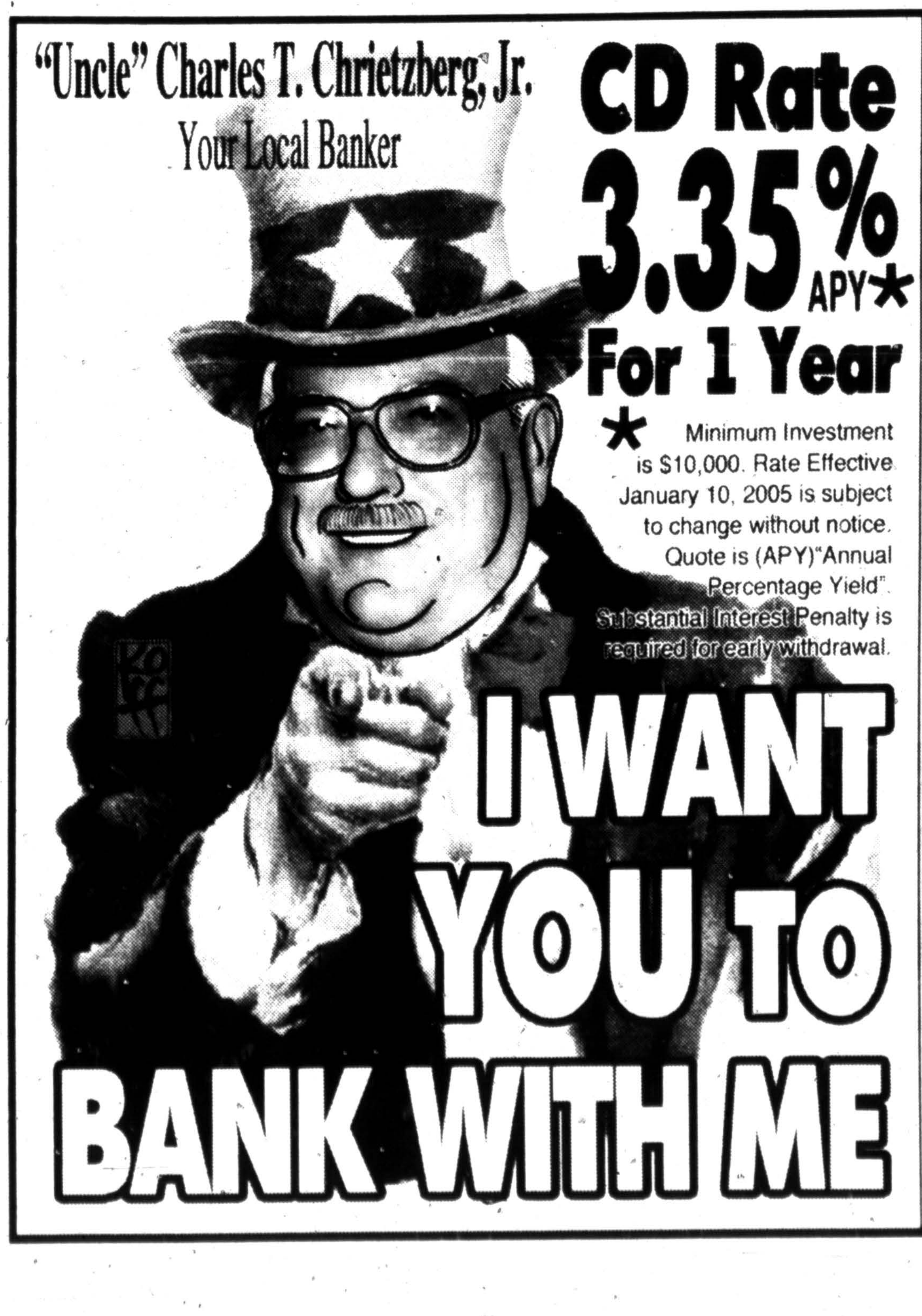

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SAT – JAN 15
Author **Mary Lou Peters Schram** will be signing copies of her recent book ***"Klik,"*** a fast and funny novel about a 1970s radio station when women took their first steps up the career ladder.
2 pm in the Thunderbird Bookshop ❖ FREE

TUES – JAN 18
Thunderbird Book Club will be discussing ***"His Excellency"*** by **Joseph Ellis**. All are welcome.
10 am in the Thunderbird Community Room ❖ FREE

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Author **James Delessandro** will be showing a 19-minute documentary that is the basis of his book ***"1906."*** He has masterfully blended fact with fiction in this dramatic account of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake and its aftermath. He will be signing copies of his book afterwards.
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OPINION

Editorial

The lagoon balancing act

FOUR YEARS ago, federal wildlife officials learned just how difficult it can be to fine tune the draining of a lagoon, and how good intentions can cause disastrous consequences.

In January 2001, with a colossal storm approaching the Monterey Peninsula, a biologist from the National Marine Fisheries Service — empowered by the fact that steelhead trout in the lagoon had just been designated a threatened species — ordered county workers not to bulldoze open the sandbar across the mouth of the Carmel River, as they had routinely done for decades. Instead, the public works department was told it could only lower the sandbar, allowing the lagoon to find its own way to the ocean. The idea was that the lagoon would rise to a level that would protect the river's population of juvenile steelhead from being swept out to sea.

But that same night, the carefully sculpted sandbar was rebuilt by storm-driven waves. Officials could do nothing but watch as the lagoon rose to flood levels, damaging several homes. A loud public outcry, led by Supervisor Dave Potter, forced federal officials to concede that county workers didn't need the fed's permission to drain the lagoon if it threatened public health and safety.

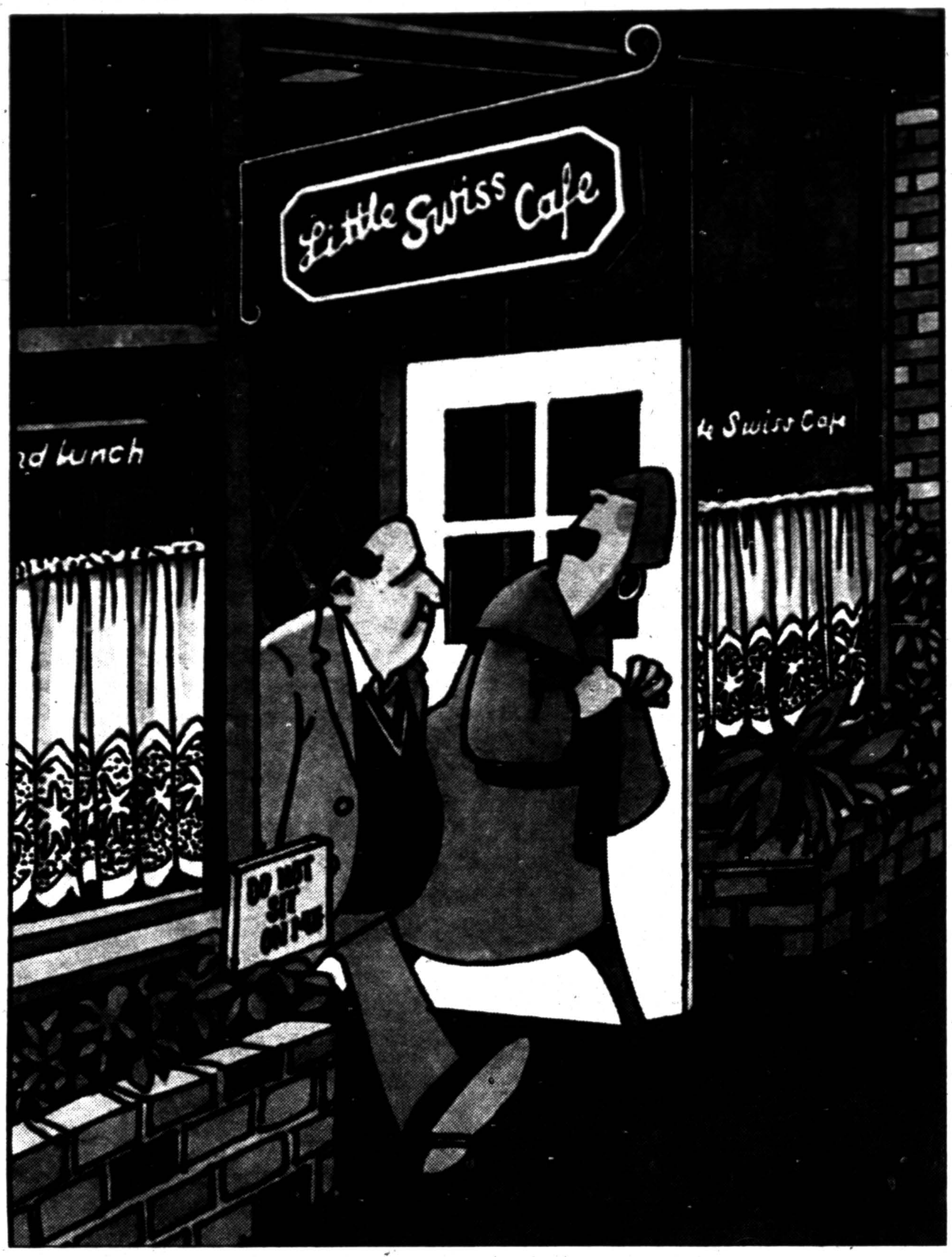
That didn't mean an end to the elaborate efforts to protect the fish. Nor, it turned out, did it mean an end to flood worries for residents of the low-lying neighborhood between River School and Carmel River State Beach.

Last week, as the lagoon rose during this winter's first big storm, county workers once again set out with their bulldozers to cut through the sandbar holding back the river. But this time, they dug at an angle, with the goal of letting the lagoon drain slowly. It worked — too well. As the river carried massive amounts of water from rain-soaked Carmel Valley, the lagoon continued to rise, almost reaching the 12-foot flood level.

Happily — and unlike 2001 — county workers stayed on scene after the channel was cut, and were able to react quickly, opening a second, more direct channel to save the day.

Everyone seemed happy with the immediate results. But there's a longer-term lesson that is unmistakable: When you try to micromanage a flood, someone's probably going to get water in his living room.

BATES



"Good food, but nobody yodeled."

Letters to the Editor

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Who you calling 'non-native'?

Dear Editor,

OK, so the pigs have gone too far, and steps are now being taken: A pig eradication program is under way. That's OK, the pigs are non-native. Well, we humans would do well to remember that 99 percent of us are non-native to this land.

Ellen Latimer McGrath, *Carmel*

'The right decision'

Dear Editor,

It's regrettable that the wild pigs that have taken up residence in the Carmel River Lagoon have to be eliminated. But the damage they are doing to the newly restored habitat along the river, not to mention the River School playground and dozens of private gardens, is just too much for this community to bear. I love animals as much as the next person, but in this case I believe state parks is making the right decision.

Arlene McGovern, *Carmel*

Avoiding the shake-down

Dear Editor,

Great work! I caught your recent article, "Eight more restaurants caught in ADA scam" (Dec. 17) while reading your paper over coffee at Carmel Plaza during Christmas shopping. Thank you!

I have also written to my local paper, the Hollister Free Lance, asking them to alert their readers to the entry of the vexatious litigant order by the Honorable Edward Rafeedie on Dec. 9, 2004, in the U.S. District Court, Central District of California, against the ADA scam artist who has been targeting local small business owners, including restaurants and wineries in San Benito County. The order will help other local small business owners know they need not knuckle under to this scam artist. And I will urge local bar association members to alert their small business clients so that we can save them from this shakedown abuse by other frivolous litigants.

Joseph P. Thompson, *Hollister*

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Kitty litter, burlap sacks rescue storm drain from grease river

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A 55-GALLON drum of grease collected from Peninsula restaurants made a mess of Eighth Avenue near La Playa Hotel last Monday morning, when a hauler dropped the barrel while loading it onto a flatbed truck, according to Carmel Fire Engineer August Beacham.

"When we got there he was using burlap sacks, trying to keep it from running down the street," Beacham said. Just before 9 a.m., firefighters, the ambulance crew and other city workers tried to stem the spill. They spread kitty litter on the ground to soak up the used kitchen grease and built dikes out of it to prevent the rest from running down the storm drain and into the ocean. They also notified Monterey County Environmental Health of the haz-mat spill, and a representative arrived on the scene.

The Salinas Tallow Company worker called for another truck to pick up the used absorbent and a pumping truck to suck up the oil contained by the dikes.

The trucks arrived at 10:30 a.m., but the pumper malfunctioned.

"Meanwhile, the rain started to increase, and the next pump truck was an hour away," Beacham said. He feared the smelly grease would wash down the street.

"For an hour I was watching the clouds getting darker and darker," he said.

The morning drizzle became a torrential downpour, which dissolved the three dikes.

"The remaining product [about 20 gallons] went down the storm drain to the ocean," Beacham said, and the fire department notified the California Department of Fish and Game of the spill. "I still haven't eaten fried foods — it was disgusting," he said.

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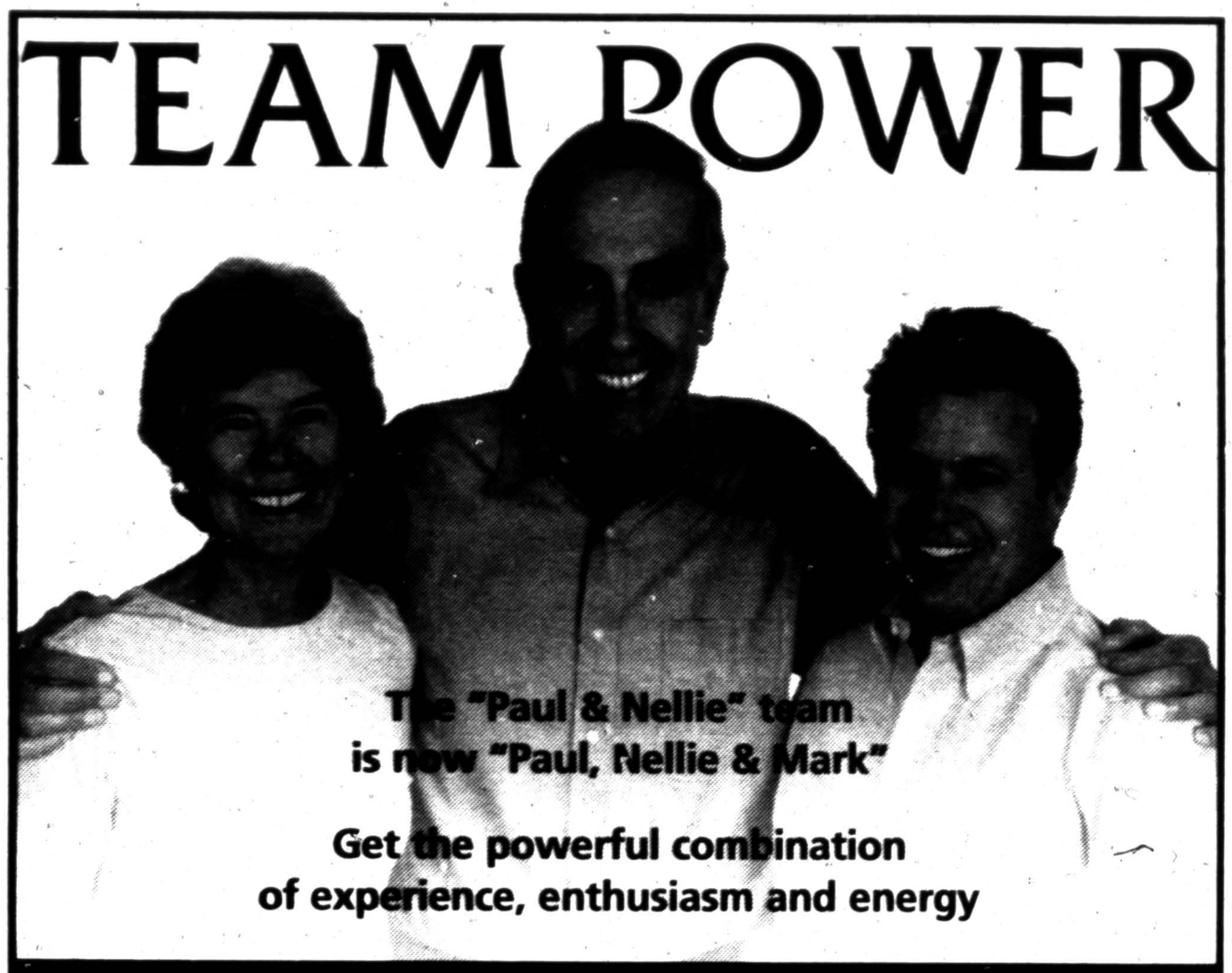

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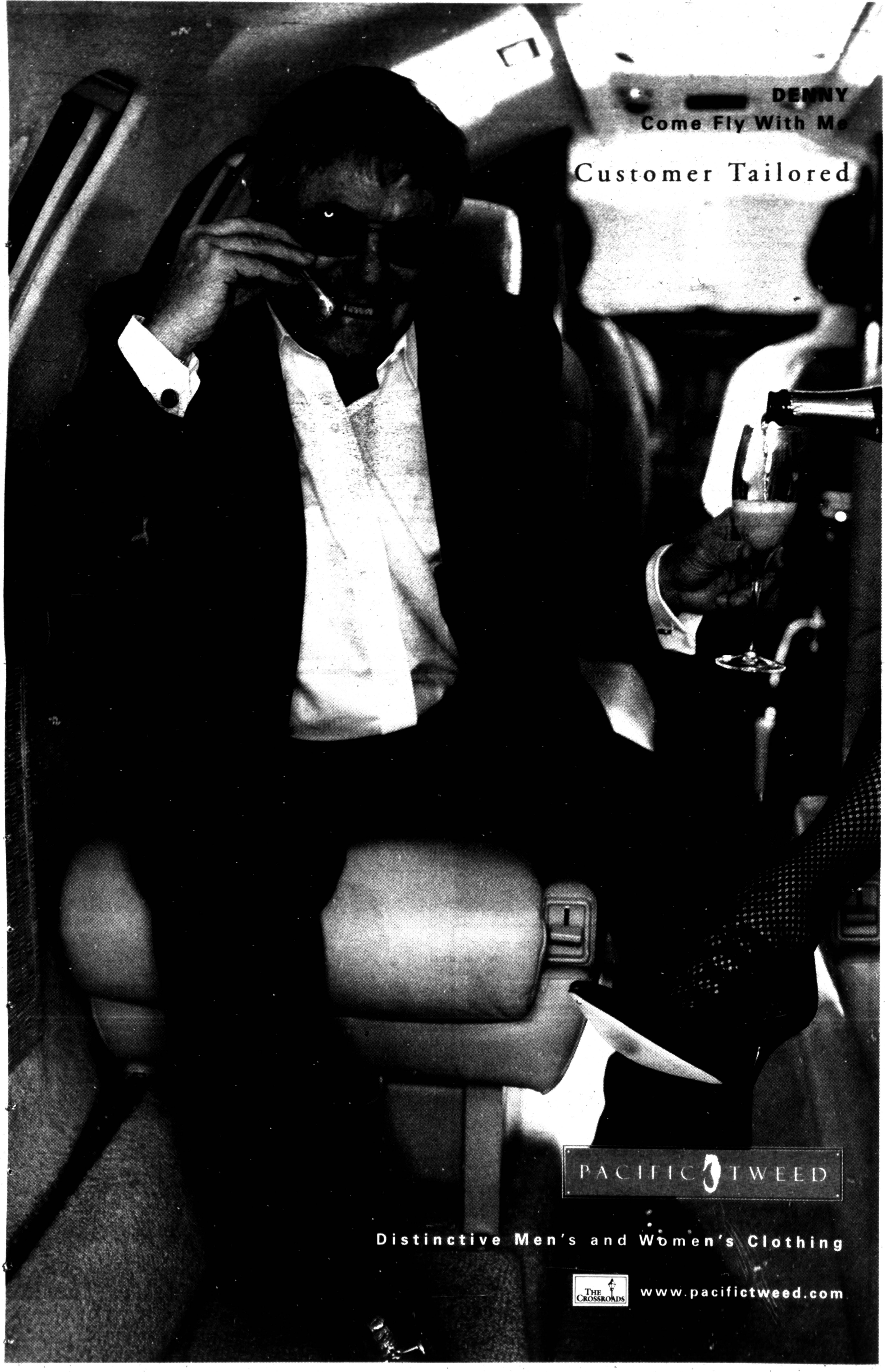
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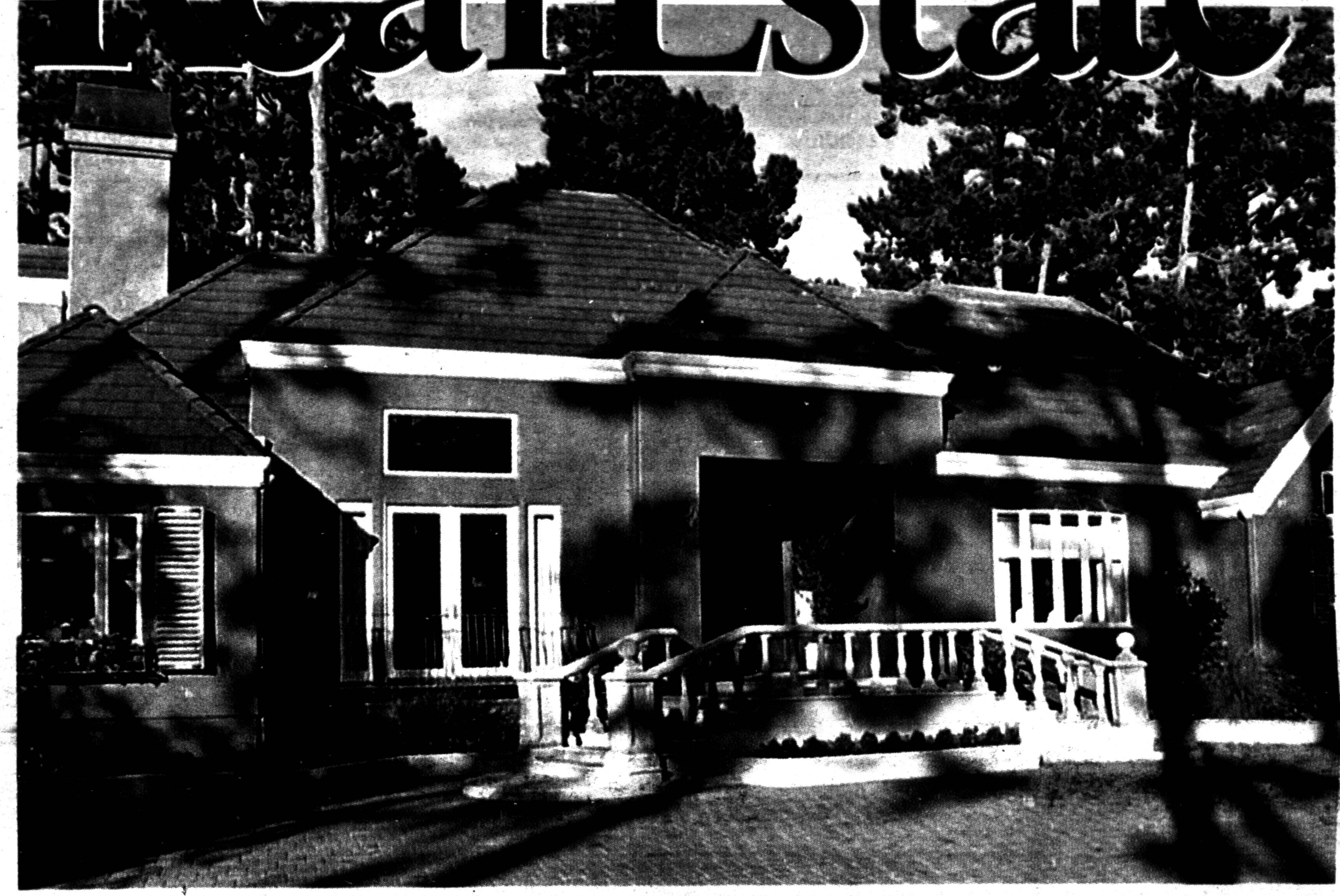

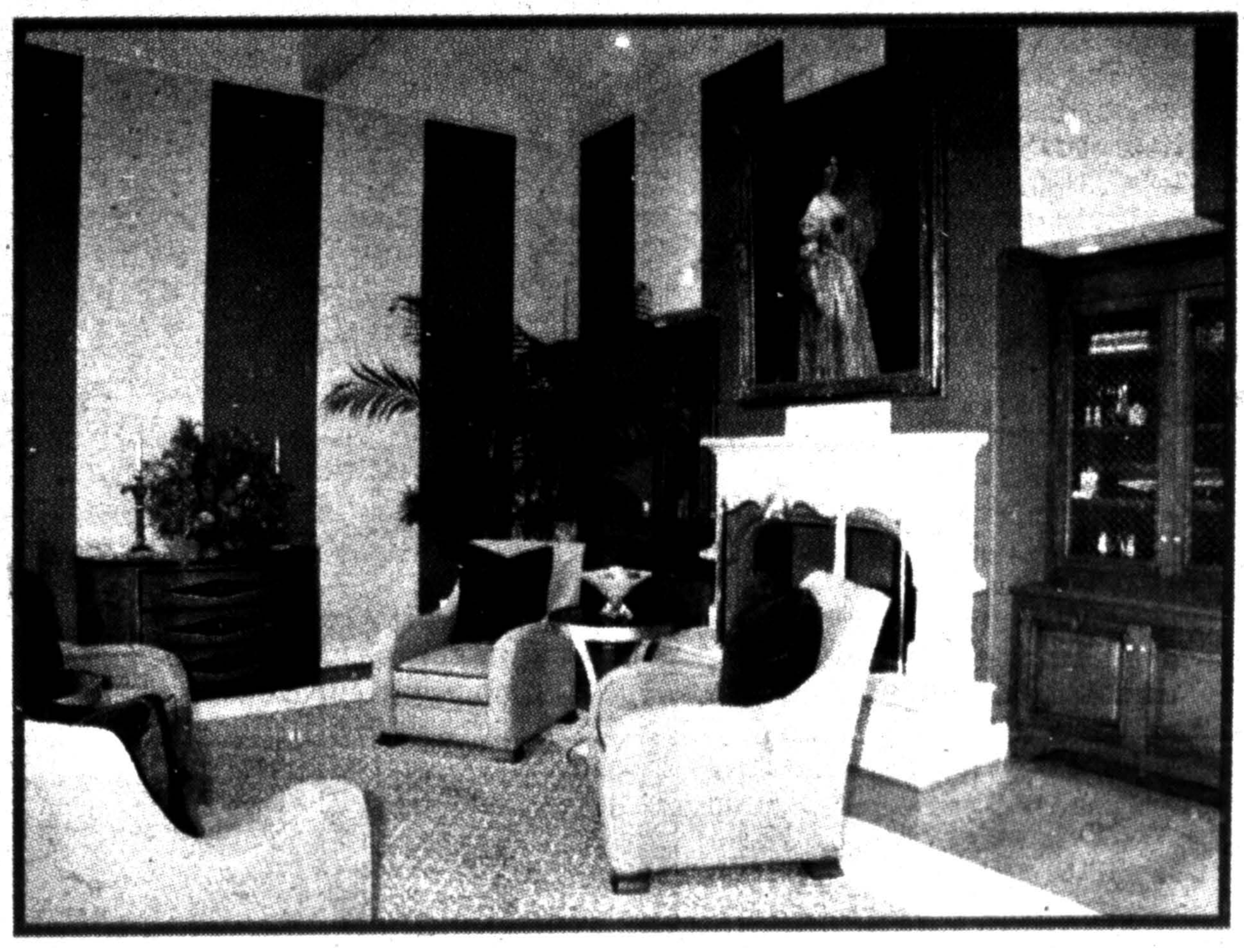

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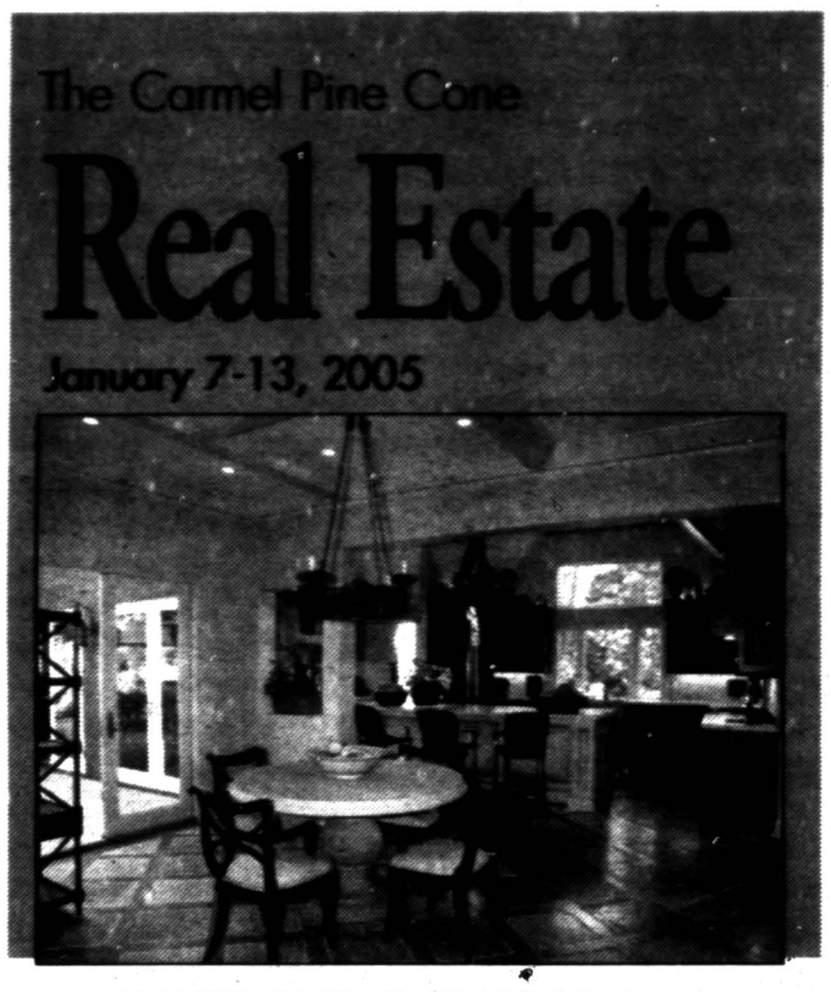
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"Carmel Legends"

Bill Bates is too young to be a legend. But his illuminating insights into the Carmel mystique have forced him into that category before his time. Today's illustration, pinpointing the ambilalent nature of Carmel demonstrates it. Many artists, writers and even musicians have tried to capture the essence of this one-of-a-kind place, but few have caught it as well as BATES. You'd think he was born here. Not so. He came from Tyler, Texas, spent some years in the Air Force, was a cartoonist on a major San Francisco daily, did tongue-in-cheek portraits of classic comedians and great golfers. He lived in the South Seas for a time and produced memorable watercolors, etchings and lithographs of the Fiji Islanders. Forsaking his Gauguin period, he came back to Carmel and spent much of the 60's kidding Carmel. In the 80's, he sailed as a Cruise Director for Royal Viking Lines, where he produced over three thousand drawings from around the world. You may know him best for the mural on the wall of Nielsen's Market, a perceptive (and funny) map of Carmel done with Carol Minou, which is a guide to tourists and locals alike. BILL BATES currently maintains a studio in San Francisco, spends his summers in Woodside, and says, " I left my heart in Carmel." You'll see more of him here.

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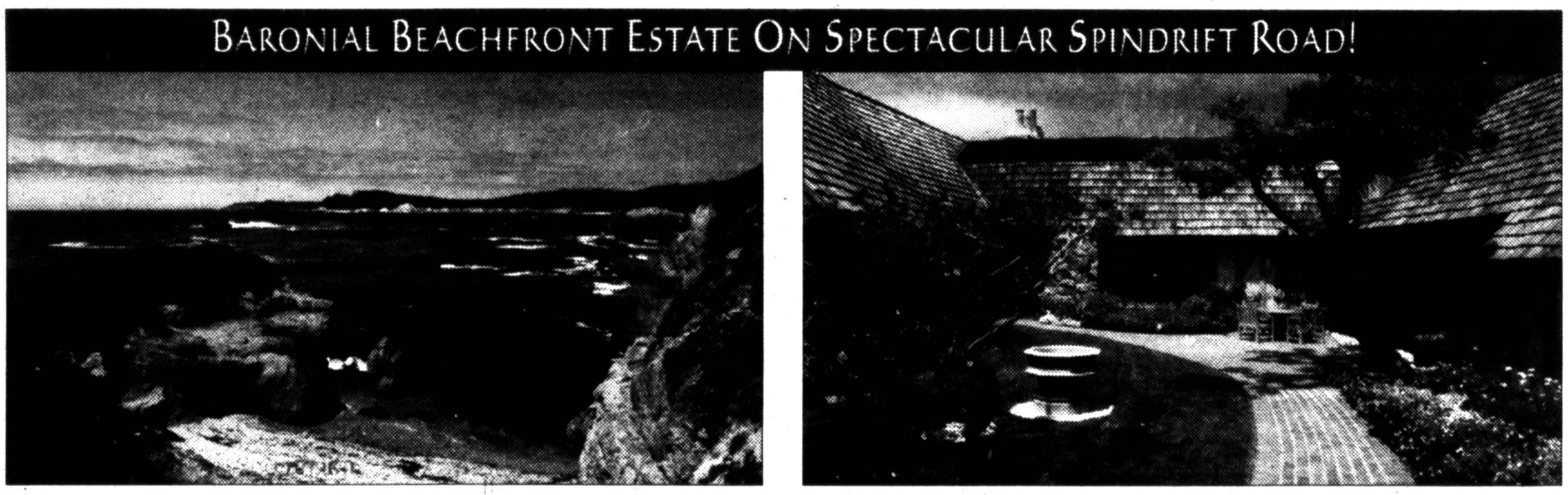

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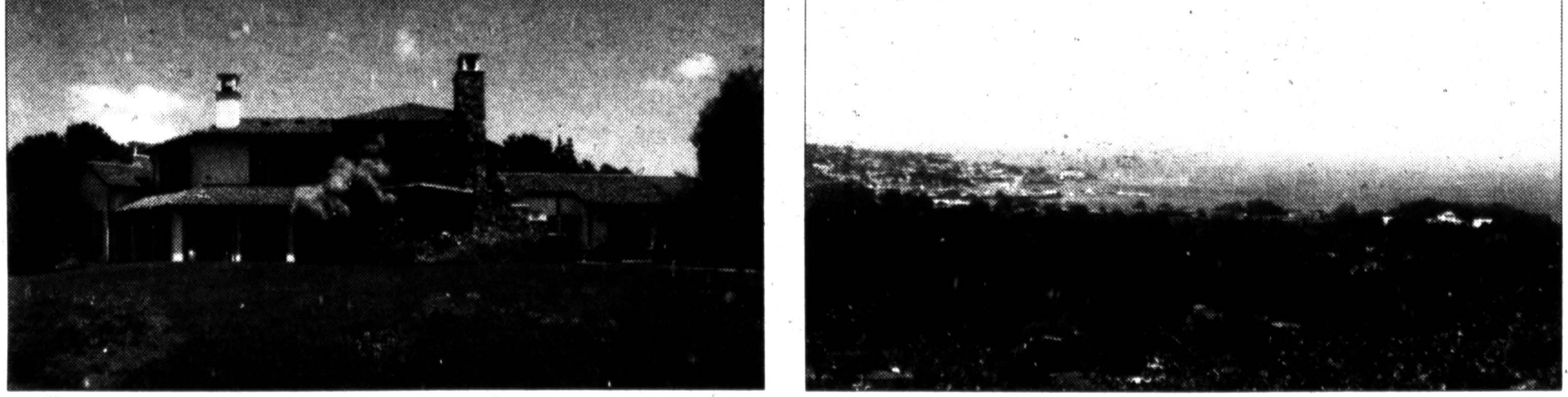

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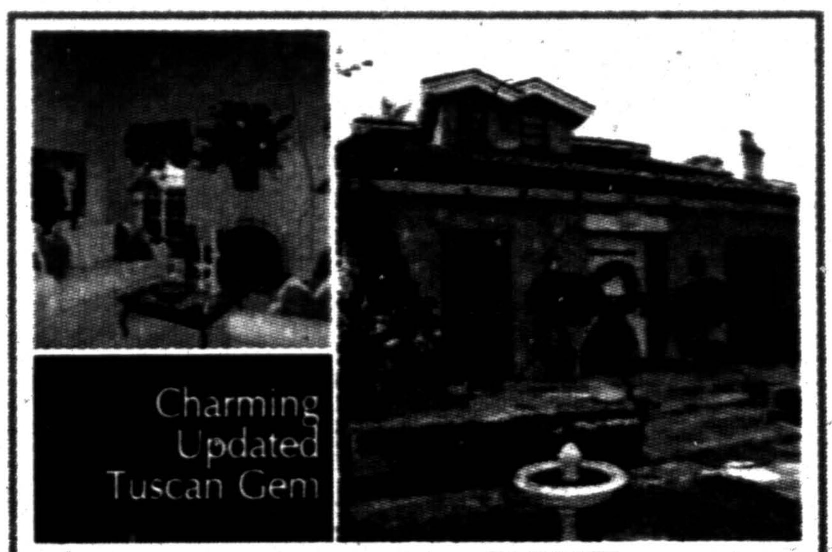

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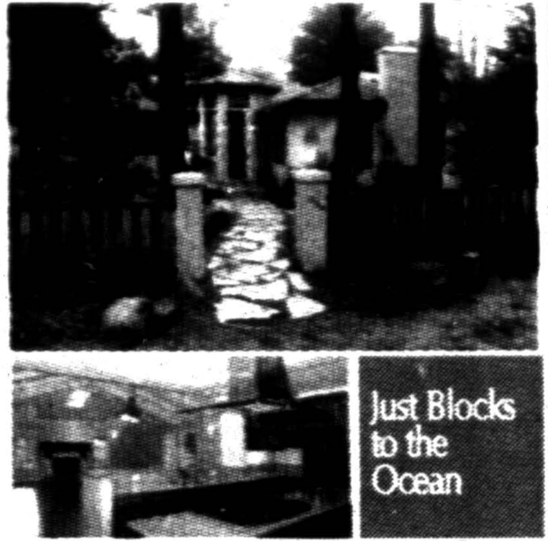
Baths: 3.5
Sq. Ft.: 2,616
Price: $2,495,000

This remodeled home offers views of the new MPCC Shore Course. Floorplan includes a spacious great room, gourmet kitchen, skylights, exposed beam vaulted ceilings, custom fireplace, redwood deck and more. New fully landscaped yard.



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DEL REY OAKS

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Sq. Ft.: 2,000
Price: $749,000

This home, on an oversized lot, is in move-in condition with new floors, kitchen cabinets and new appliances. Open and airy floor plan with new double paned windows for views of greenbelt. Fenced yard with a tree house and a park next door.

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MONTEREY/SALINAS HWY

Bedrooms: 3+
Baths: 3
Sq. Ft.: 3,460
Price: $1,595,000

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Stunning 3.5 year old golf villa on the 7th fairway at sunny Pasadera! The home features an open floor plan, spacious rooms, gorgeous courtyard, two fireplaces, bonus room/office and a two car garage. For casual country living in an exclusive community, this is it!

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Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 4+
Sq. Ft.: 7,000
Price: $3,895,000

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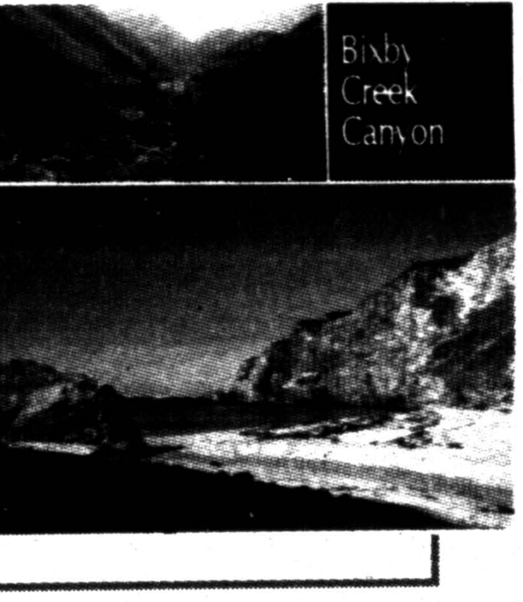
BIG SUR

Acres: 2.3
Price: $659,000

This parcel is offered together with an approved combined development permit to allow construction of a house, well, septic, and bridge. Parcel is situated along Bixby Creek overlooking redwood forest, mountains, and canyon. Access to Bixby Beach.



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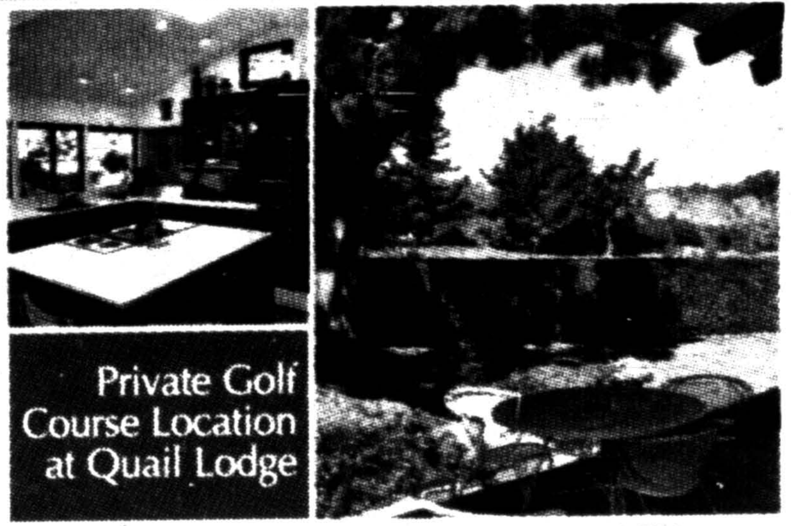

CARMEL VALLEY

Bedrooms: 2
Baths: 2.5
Sq. Ft.: 2,803
Price: $1,549,900

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Very private golf course home on the 6th fairway at Quail Lodge. High ceilings, skylights and large windows bring the outside in. A huge eat-in kitchen, spacious master suite, guest suite, formal dining room, cozy den and two car garage complete this well-priced offering.

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Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2.5
Price: $1,799,000

This 2003 "Spirit of Carmel" award winning home is located in the "Golden Rectangle." Antique pine interiors and cabinets, cast iron light fixtures and bull nosed plaster blend gracefully with new limestone and travertine floors, granite countertops and stainless steel appliances.

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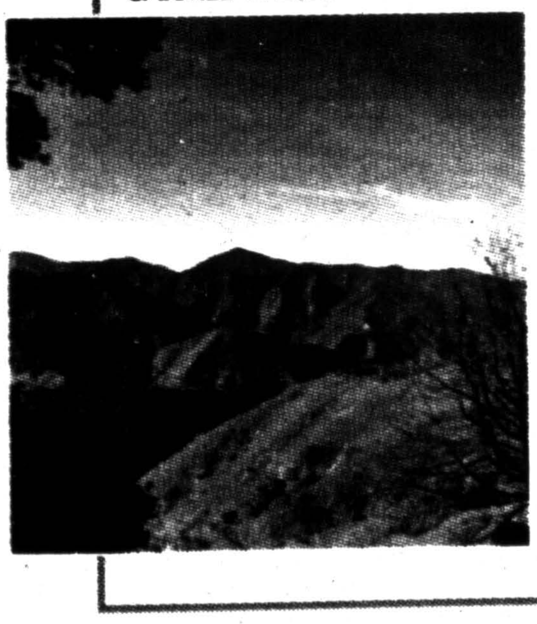

Acres: 20+
Price: $525,000

It's a remodeler's dream! Excellent views from Los Padres Forest to the ocean. Two cabins, both one bedroom/one bath, greenhouse, two propane tanks, generator, solar, plus 10gpm well. No permit for houses.

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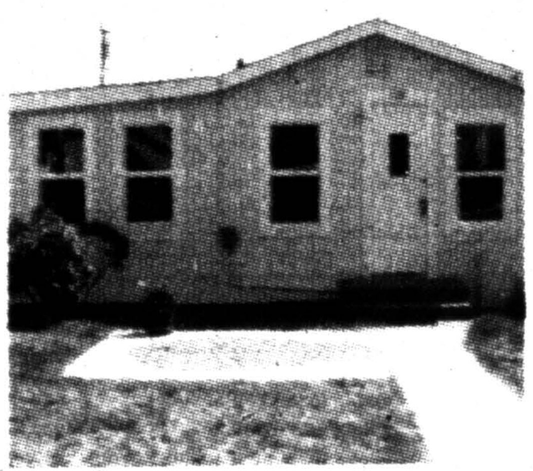

Bedrooms: 1
Baths: 1
Lot Size: 4,000 sq. ft.
Price: $459,000

This is a fabulous starter home on a sunny lot with room for expansion. It is perfect for the first-time home buyer. It is cute, well-maintained and has a street to alley lot, which affords privacy. Situated close to all amenities.

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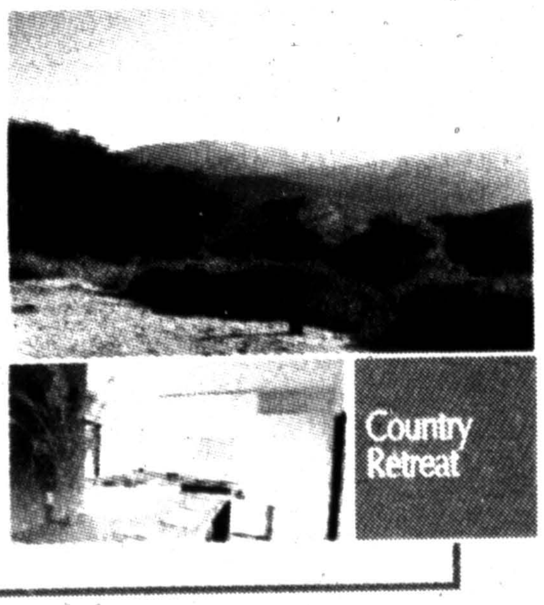
CARMEL VALLEY

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 2
Sq. Ft.: 1,250
Price: $639,000

Located in the famous wine region of the Carmel Valley in a gated community, this private ten acre home is filled with plenty of opportunity to expand your dreams -- garden or put in a vineyard. Enjoy the pool off the master bedroom. Horses permitted.



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BIG SUR

Bedrooms: 3
Baths: 4+
Sq. Ft.: 5,000
Price: $6,750,000

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Totally secluded from the road on a large three acre wooded lot this gated estate is located in a breathtaking setting with dramatic views of the crashing surf up and down the Big Sur coast. Enjoy brilliant sunsets and more -- all in a world class setting just ten miles south of Carmel.

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Acres: 40
Price: $975,000

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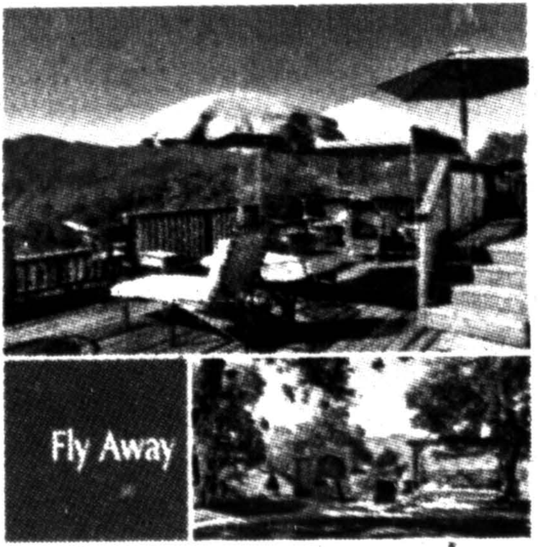

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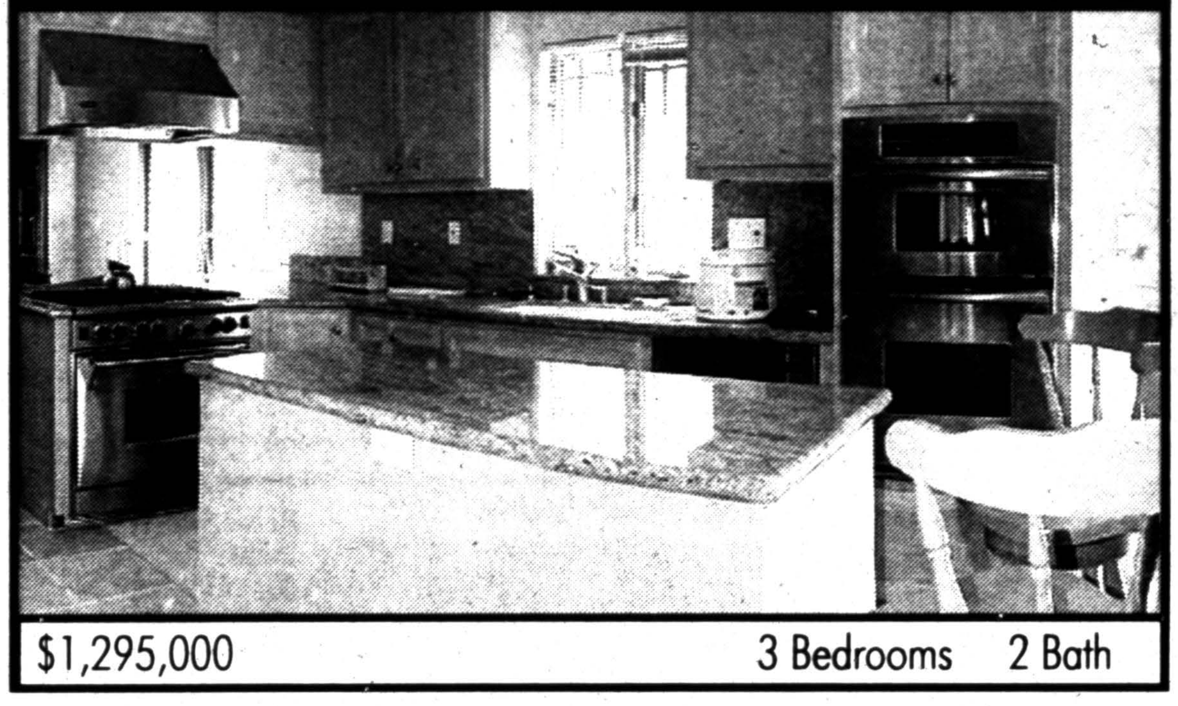

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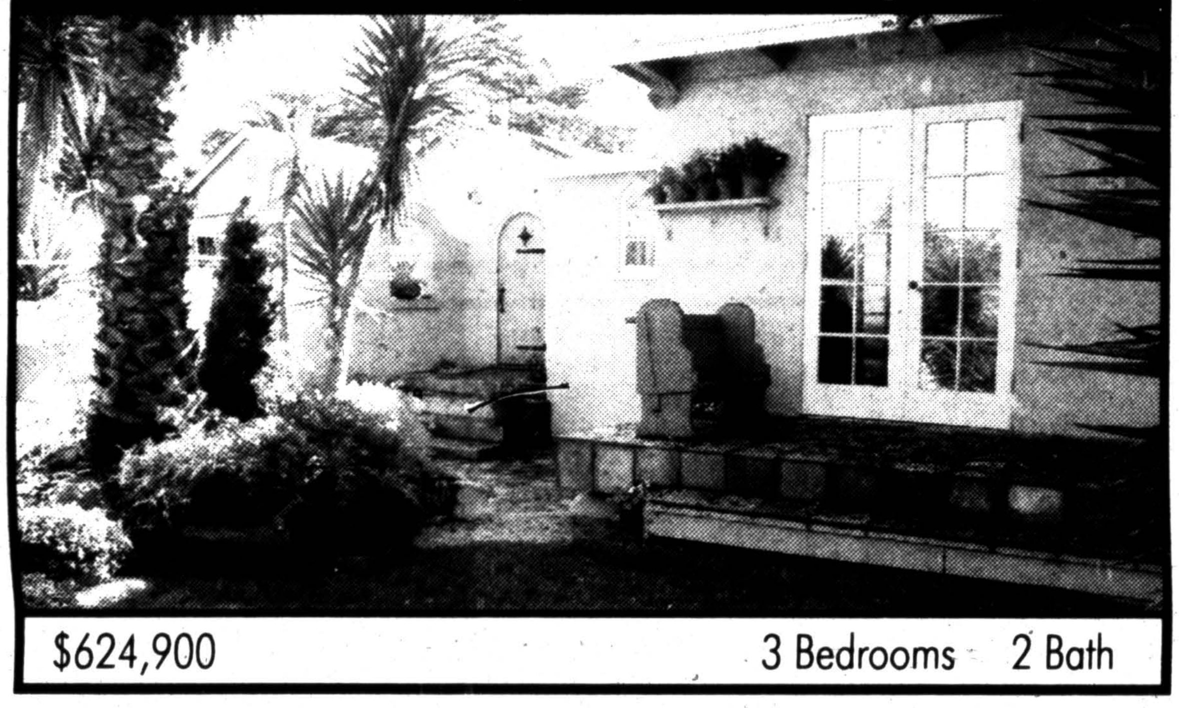

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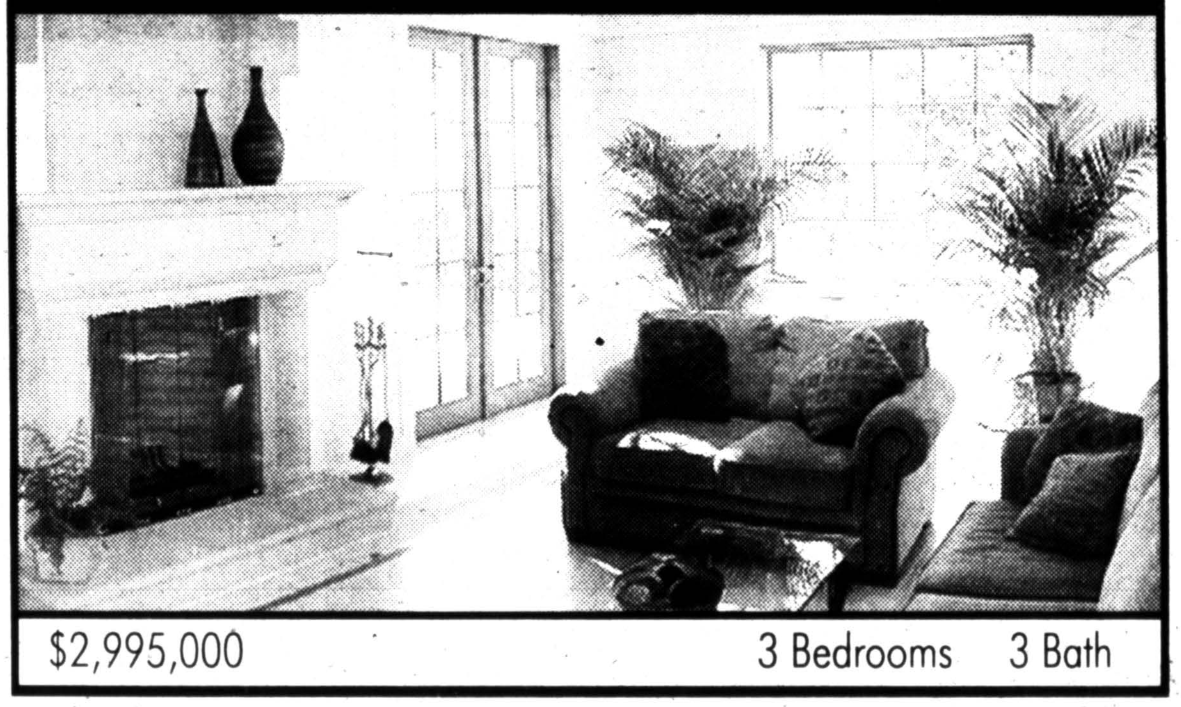

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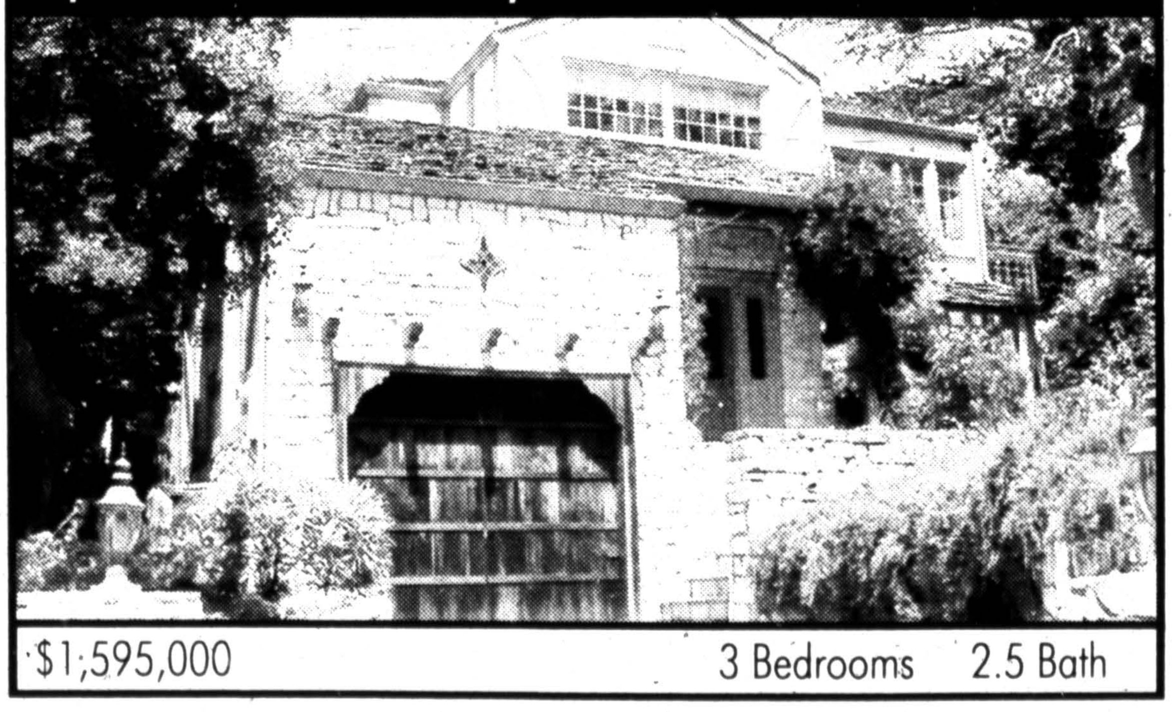

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COUNCIL FINALIZES PARKING LAW IN TOWN

By MARY BROWNFIELD

A NEW law allowing police to cite illegally parked cars in certain parts of town received final approval from the city council without discussion Tuesday.

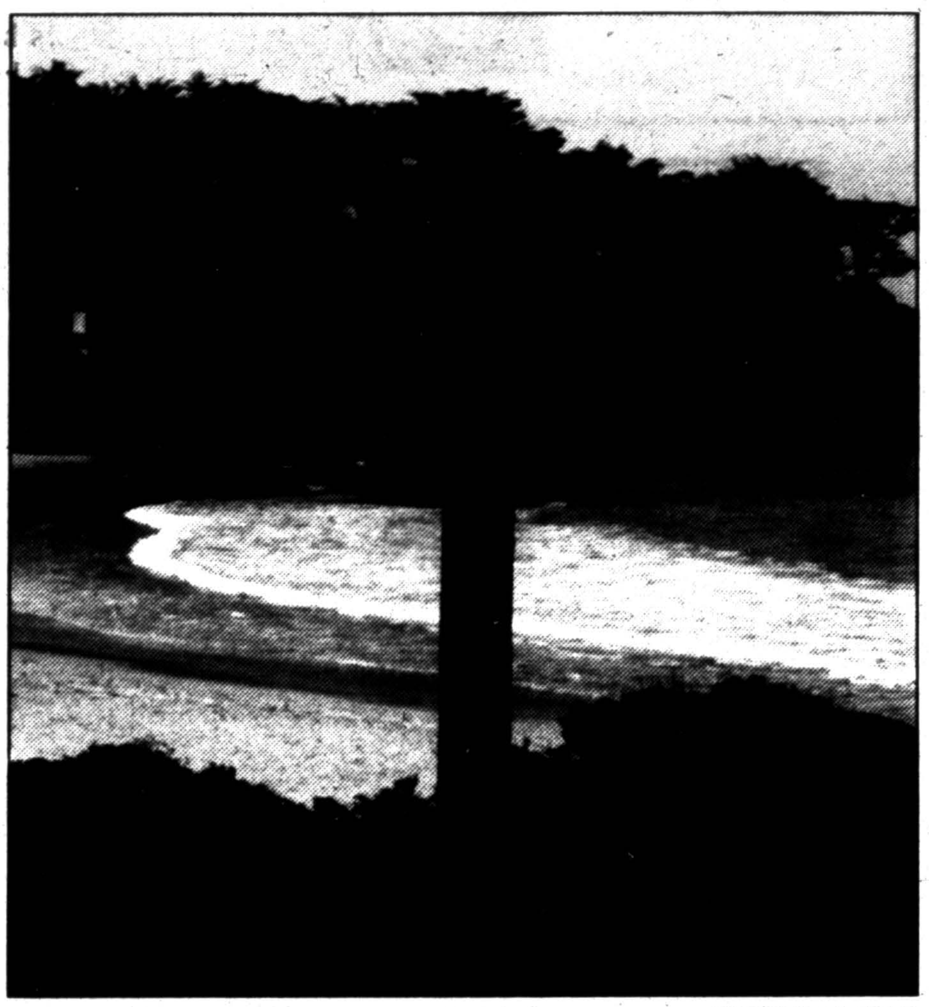
After the ordinance takes effect in 30 days, drivers leaving their vehicles on Scenic Road between Eighth Avenue and Santa Lucia, as well as in the Del Mar parking lot at the foot of Ocean Avenue, will be cited between midnight and 5 a.m. unless they have residential parking permits.

That time limit was established in the Local Coastal Program, which was certified by the California Coastal Commission last October. Signs were erected along Scenic soon after the LCP took effect in November, but the police department lacked the specific legal powers to cite drivers who parked there anyway.

Overtime parkers in the north lot at Sunset Center, and tour buses that overstay their three-hour limit on Junipero between Ocean and Seventh, will also be cited. Both areas are slated to receive parking kiosks, according to the new paid-parking program approved by the city council following budget discussions last year.

"Adoption of the ordinance will enable the police department to enforce parking time restrictions associated with the Pay and Display Parking Program and parking restrictions contained in the Local Coastal Program," public safety director George Rawson wrote in his staff report. The first draft of the ordinance was approved by the council Dec. 7, 2004.

The new paid parking program in the north Sunset Center lot and along Junipero Street should get under way soon. The parking kiosks are set to be installed this month, and the city anticipates they will raise an additional $178,750 in annual revenues. National Parking & Valet has been hired to run the paid parking program.



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They look authoritative, but until a new law approved by the council Tuesday takes effect next month, these signs along Scenic Road have no teeth.

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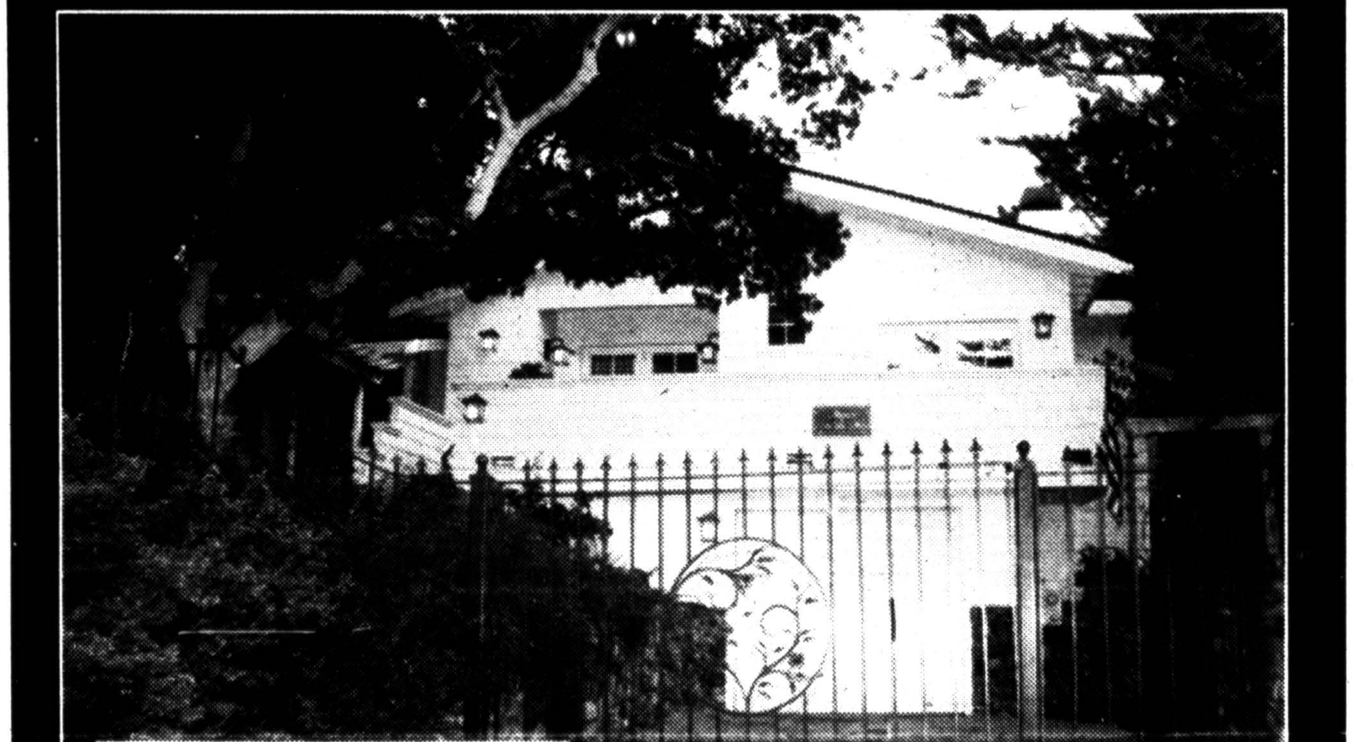

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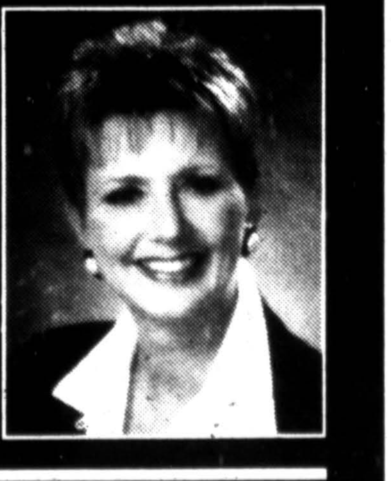

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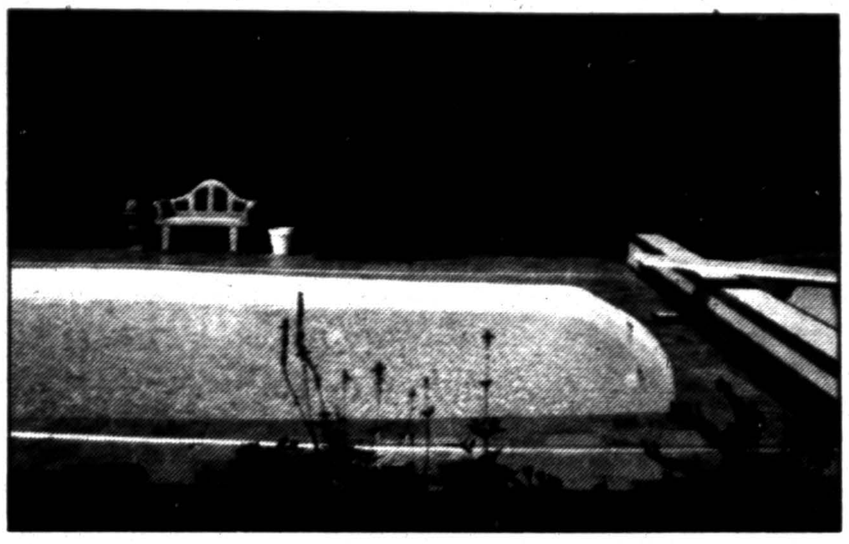

CARMEL VALLEY has a climate that almost everybody likes. It fact, it has a whole lot of different climates and offers would-be homebuyers the chance to order up the weather of their choice: The further inland they go, the warmer the summers and the colder the winters will be.

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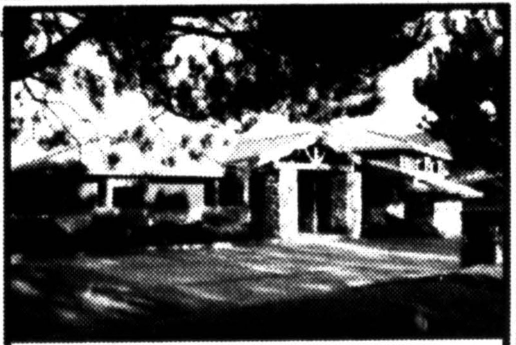

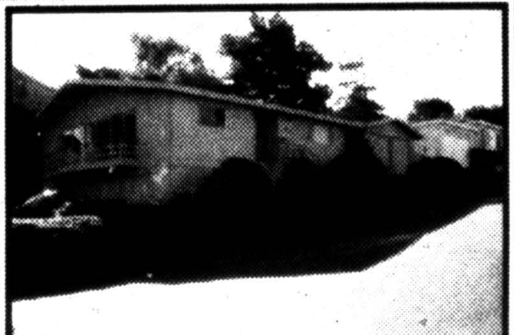

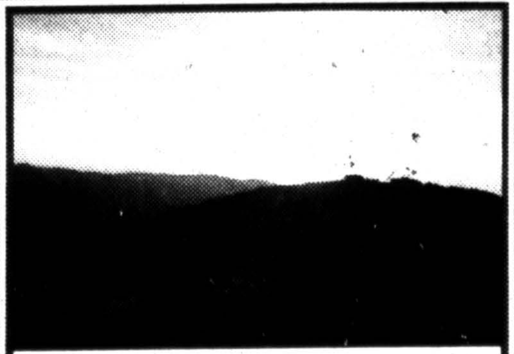

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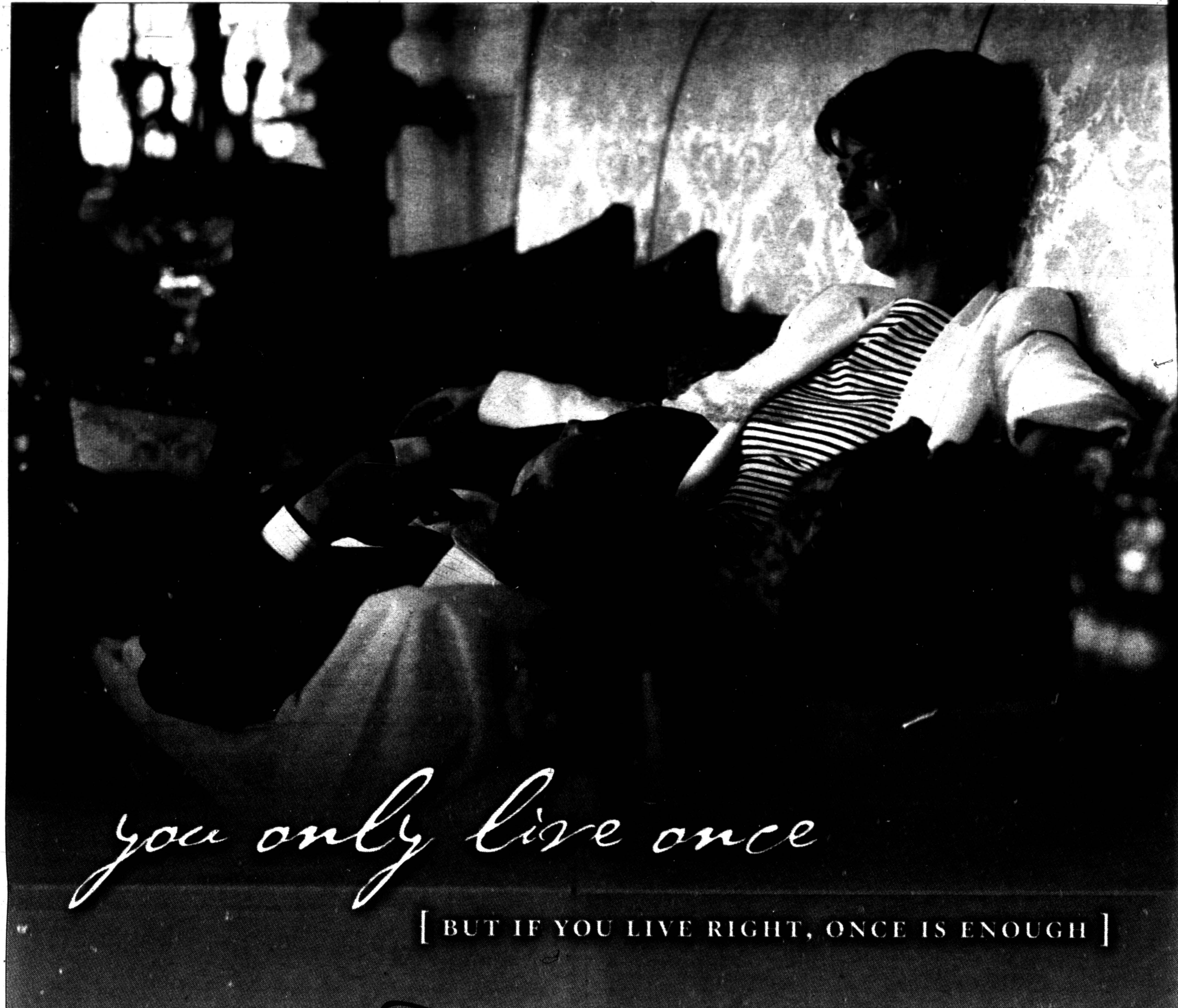
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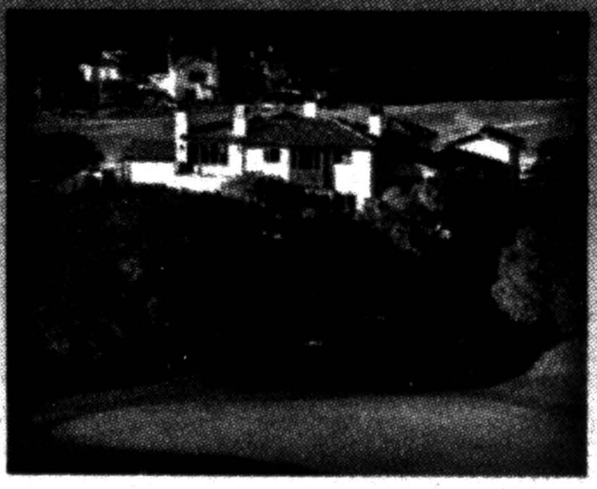

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PITKIN'S

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lengthy delay or a drive back to Monterey or San Simeon. But for a handful of hardy locals, it represents a not-so-subtle reminder that they are living in a place where Mother Nature has the last word.

"It's a hardship for a lot of people on the coast," said Keith Harlan. "They live on one side of the slide and work on the other side."

Harlan said it's hard to make plans this time of year.

"Any time it rains, everybody wonders if the road is open and who is going to be able to get through," he said.

Margaret Grahame lives south of the slide at the Mill Creek Ranch, and she works north of the slide at the Esalen Institute. With no delays, the drive takes about 20 minutes.

"In times like these I realize just how powerful and strong the natural world is," Grahame said.

For Grahame, a road delay is great lesson in letting go.

"I have to flow with what is happening," she said. "I can't say, 'this is the plan for the day and this is what is going to happen.'"

Still, Grahame admits she's had some anxious moments over the road closures.

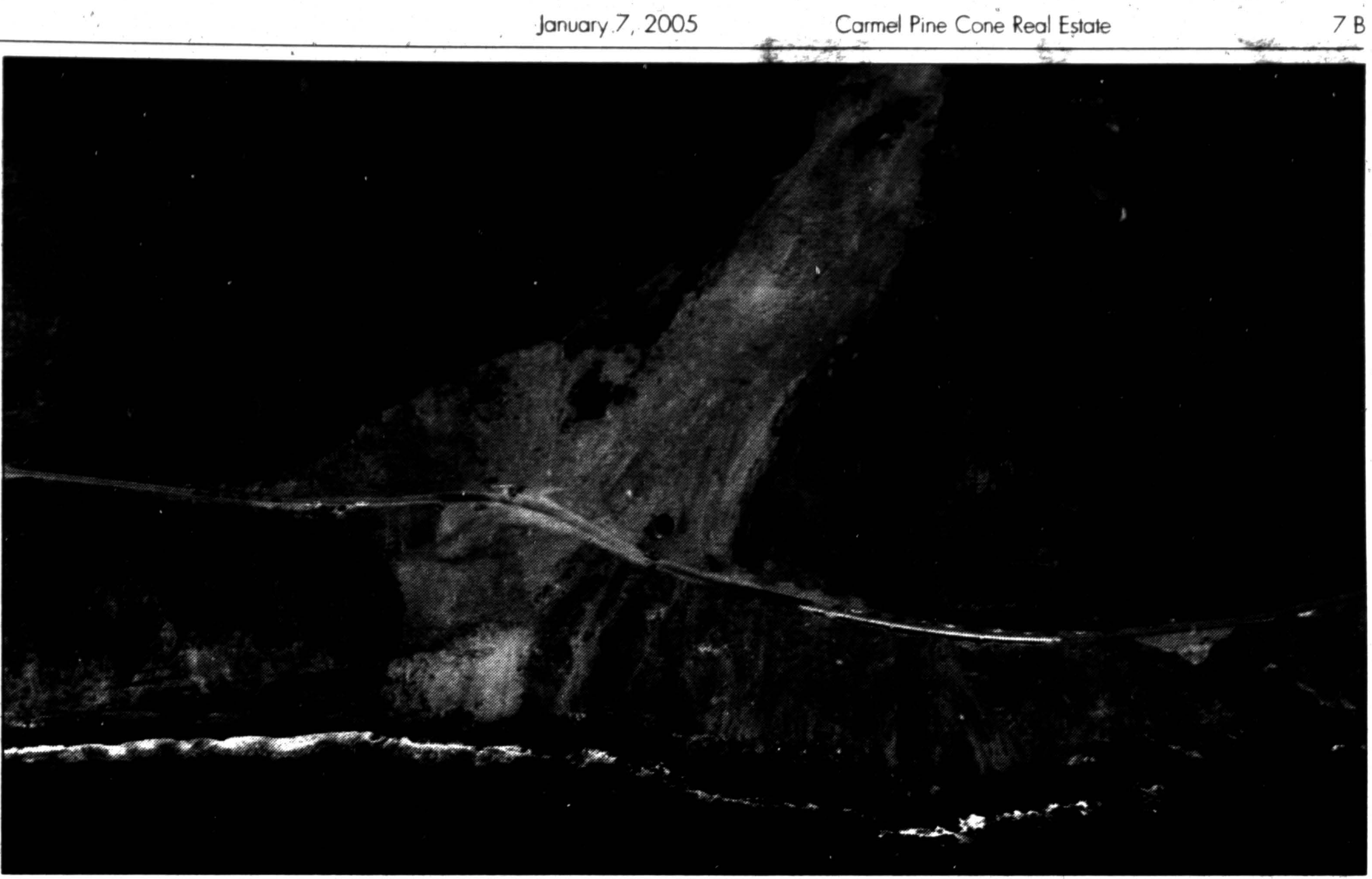
"I have a job to do," she said. "A road closure might mean a day off, but I have a responsibility to my workplace, and that's hard to deal with."

For longtime local and part-time highway worker Kenny Comello, a road closure isn't necessary a bad thing.

"I get excited about the rainy season," he said. "It brings a lot of good-paying work and I can add to my pension."

Like many Big Sur residents, Comello appreciates the peace and solitude that comes with a road closure.

"I like it when the road closes because it preserves the waves, the jade and the mushrooms for us locals," he said. "It's neat to meet a neighbor on the highway and stop to chat."



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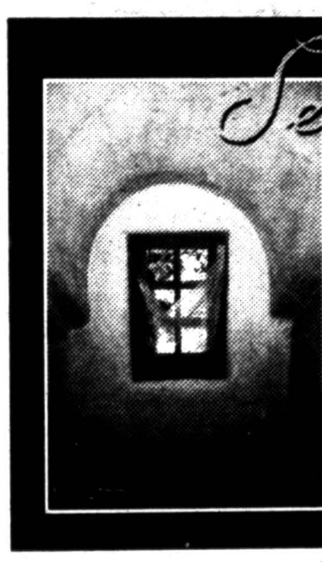
Pitkin's Curve poses a hardship for Big Sur residents who live on one side and work on the other. The only available detour when Highway 1 is out adds at least three hours to the trip.

While some locals have grown accustomed to the slide and its delays, the California Department of Transportation is committed to fixing the problem. In 2001, the agency began initial studies on an ambitious highway project that will install a bridge and a rock shed.

Unfortunately, Caltrans is inching forward through the slow, bureaucratic process required of ambitious highway projects. If right-of-way issues are resolved, environmental issues are mitigated and funding doesn't dry up, construction should begin in 2007 and be completed by 2010.

Aileen Loe, a senior environmental planner for Caltrans, said the Big Sur coast presents her agency with a tremendous challenge.

"It's the steepness of the terrain and fractured material combined with exposure to Pacific storms that cause so many slides," Loe said. "We did a study that determined there are over 1,000 slides of varying sizes and shapes in Big Sur. It's an awkward place to maintain a road that needs to be stable."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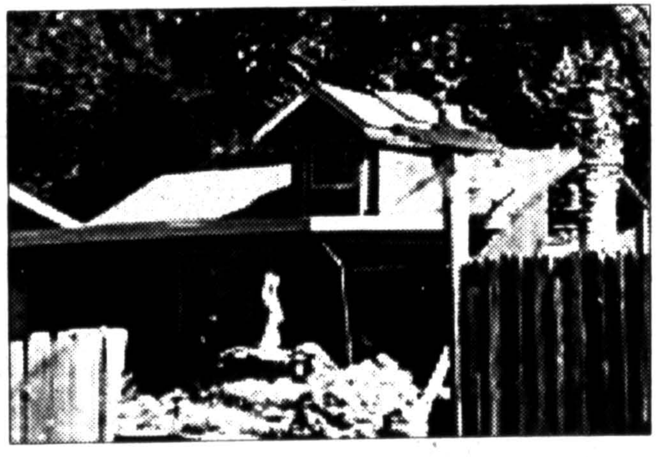

Enjoy the spirit and ambience of an era gone by in this circa 1909 fishing camp. This home is thought to be one of the original cabins in Camp Carmel, now known as "Camp Steffani" – located on the Carmel River (Creek) one mile past the Village. Priced to sell at $495,000!

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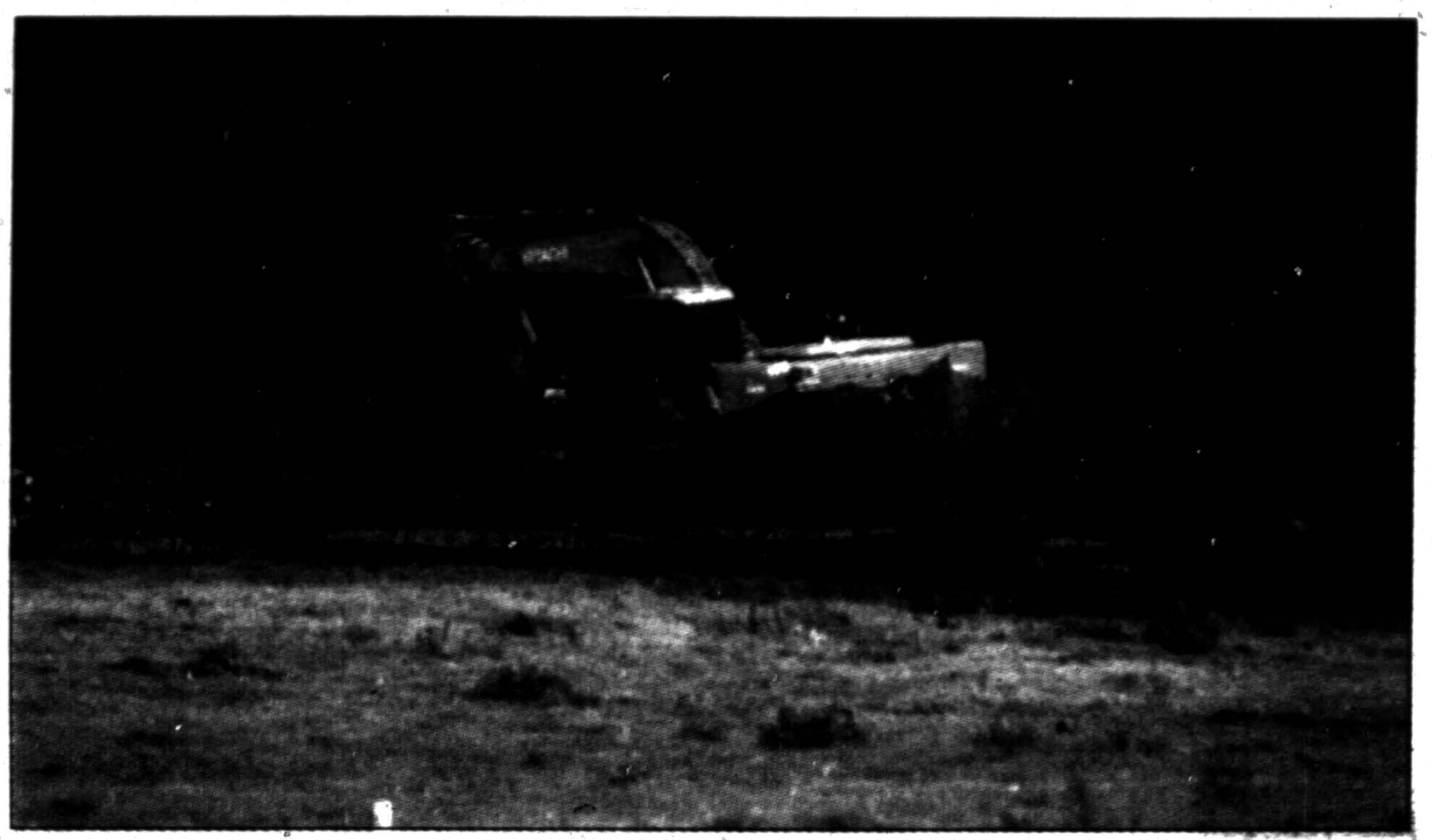

Although heavy farm machinery may still be used on September Ranch after it is subdivided, the development proposes to hide all houses from Carmel Valley Road.

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SEPTEMBER

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Monterey County board of supervisors approved the subdivision in 1995, but lawsuits by the Sierra Club and two other local groups derailed it in 1999 on the grounds that traffic and water issues had not been adequately addressed in the original EIR. The original document cost Morgens $120,000, not counting $400,000 for hydrology studies.

The new 275-page draft EIR came with a hefty price tag. Morgens said he paid about $500,000 for it, despite the fact that it is re-analyzing the original water and traffic studies. The passage of time is deadly for the sustainability of an EIR, so nearly everything in it must be redone. Included in the cost of the new document, Morgens was required to pay a 5 percent surcharge to public works and a 30 percent surcharge to the planning department for their work on his application.

Despite the cost, he was satisfied with its conclusions.

"It shows that the project will have fairly small impacts and none that can't be solved," he said. "We designed the project so you can't see any homes from Carmel Valley Road. The pasture at the front of the ranch will remain the same."

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> **— Jim Morgens**

The pasture Morgens refers to is one of Carmel Valley's most visible landmarks. Locals often speak of Carmel Valley's rural character, and there are few locations in the valley that better illustrate that idyllic sentiment than this picturesque field with its grazing livestock and rustic barn.

Opponents of the project view September Ranch as the biggest threat on the horizon to the valley's rural character. Some claim it will burden the area's water resources, while others dread increased traffic. There is also concern the development will further fragment the Monterey pine forest, although Morgens aims to plant three trees for every one his houses eliminate. The ranch project will remove about 610 Monterey pine trees out of an estimated 66,545 trees, less than 1 percent, according to the original EIR. The new EIR addresses these issues and others.

Not surprisingly, the Monterey land use attorney who sued over the original EIR, Michael Stamp, believes the new draft EIR is also inadequate.

"This is the Rancho San Juan of Carmel Valley," said Stamp, comparing Morgens' 109 homes to the sprawling development north of Salinas that proposes to add 4,000 residential units and an estimated 13,000 residents to Monterey County.

"Based on my initial review, it is fair to say that this project will remain controversial," Stamp said. "It does not address the issues we hoped it would."

Although Morgens is confident the new draft EIR settles the water issue, Stamp disagreed.

"It looks more like political water rather than real water," said Stamp, who represented the Sierra Club in its lawsuit six years ago. "The draft water EIR is still highly unsatisfactory. Parts of the EIR appear to be written by lawyers instead of EIR consultants. We would expect more analysis."

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Questions about the property's riparian rights to the Carmel River and the effect of its wells on the aquifer were cited in the 1999 ruling. Stamp also contends that a 45-day window for comment on the draft EIR is simply not enough time.

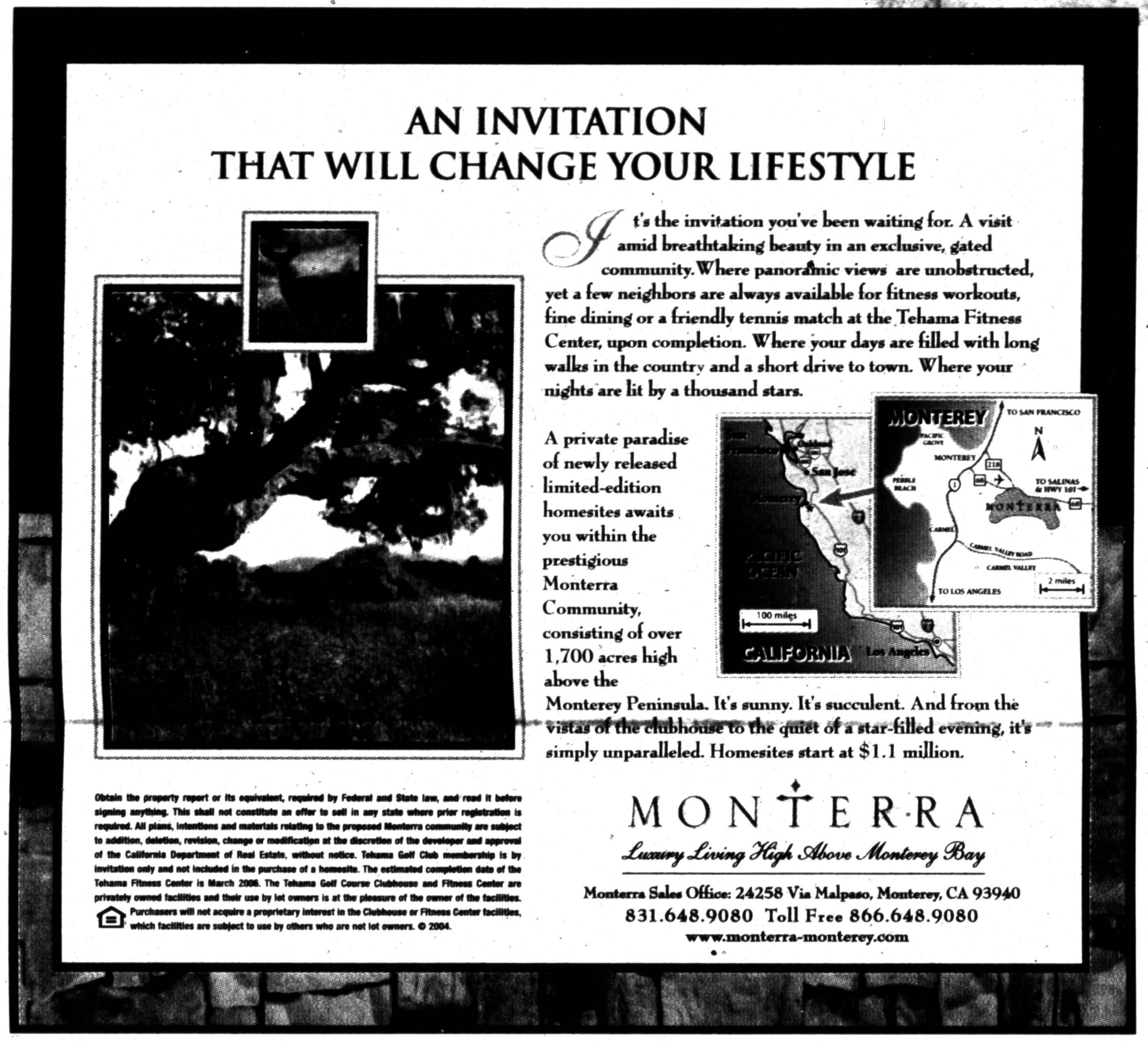
"When you're cut out of the public process, the courts still exist," he said. "The county does this on every project. There are people in the county who consider public participation to be a nuisance."

Stamp said the county should encourage greater participation in the process.

"We would hope the county will open up the process for greater input," he said. "I would like to see a public presentation."

At the end of the 45-day comment period, an EIR consultant will respond to the comments and a final EIR will be issued. Morgens said he is hoping the project will go before the supervisors in late spring.

"It's a good project," said Morgens, "I am hopeful it will be approved a second time. I believe the EIR has been responsive to the court's demands. It will probably get challenged by the Sierra Club and others, and I think the courts will uphold the project this time around."



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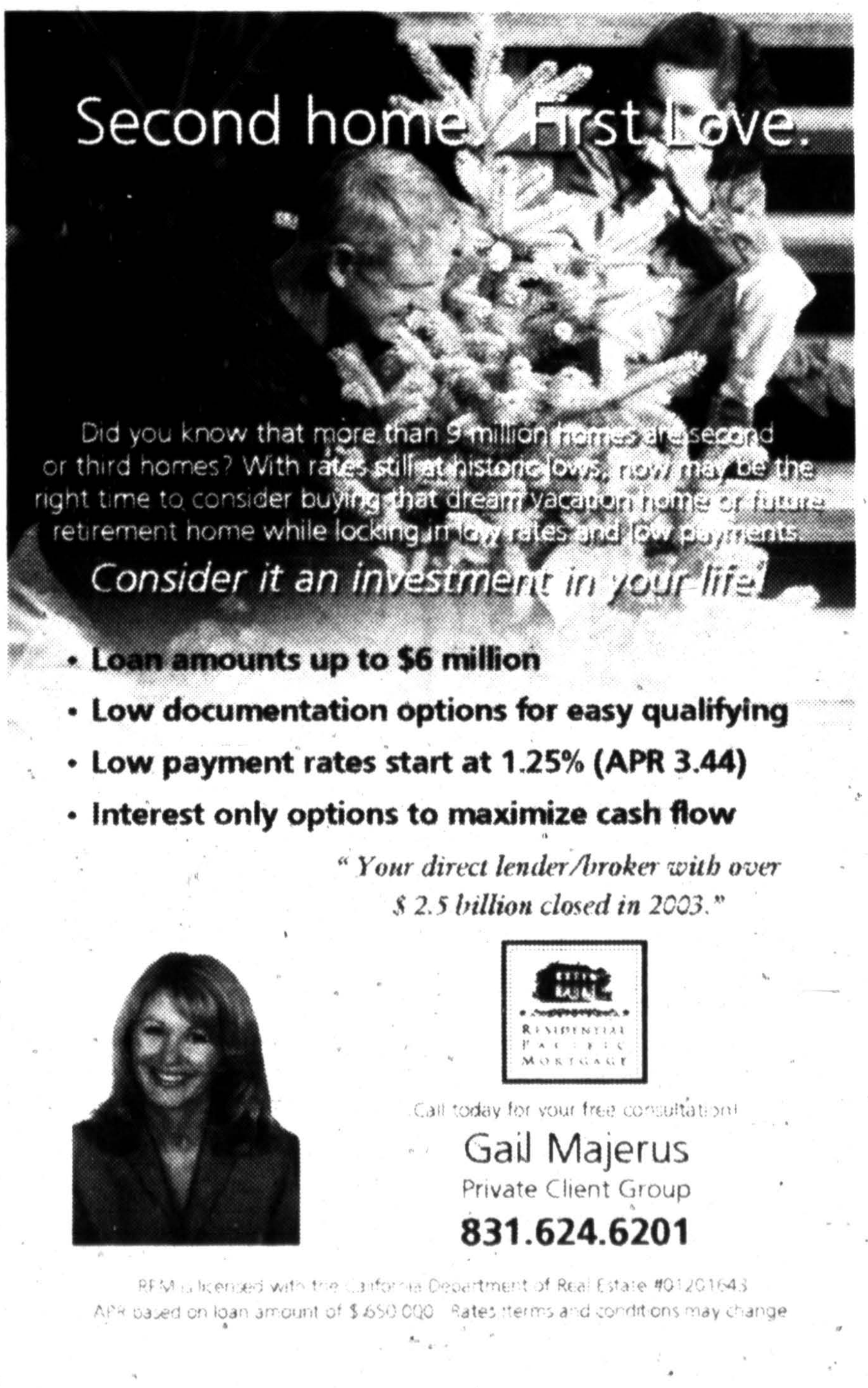

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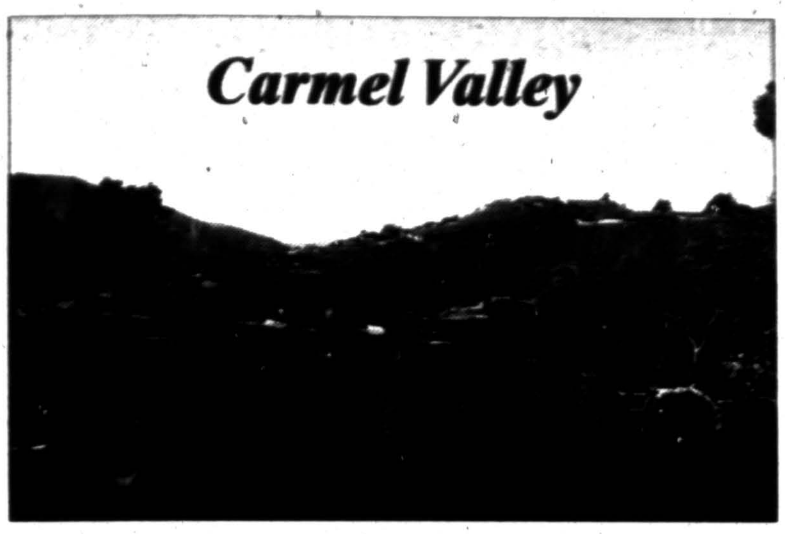

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$930,000	**2bd 1ba**	**Su 1-3**	NE Cor Guadalupe & 3rd **(R/C)**	Carmel	The Mitchell Group	624-0136
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$1,199,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Sa Su 1-3**	3512 Ocean Avenue	Carmel	The Mitchell Group	624-0136
$1,295,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Su 2-4**	24824 Carpenter Road	Carmel	Burchell House Properties	624-6461
$1,325,000	**3bd 3ba**	**Su 1-3**	25073 Hatton Road	Carmel	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2223
$1,395,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Sa Su 2:30-4:30**	3 NW Santa Rita & 3rd	Carmel	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$1,395,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Sa Su 1-3**	Dolores 3 NW 4th	Carmel	The Mitchell Group	659-2267
$1,449,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Sa Su 1-3**	Torres 7 NW of 8th	Carmel	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221
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$1,795,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Su 2-2:30**	San Carlos 2 NW 9th	Carmel	The Mitchell Group	624-0136
$1,799,000	**3bd 2.5ba**	**Sa 1:30-3:30**	Lincoln 2 SW 12th **(R/C)**	Carmel	The Mitchell Group	624-6482
$1,800,000	**2bd 2ba + den**	**Sa Su 12-2**	2 SE Monte Verde & 4th	Carmel	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$1,895,000	**3bd 2.5ba**	**Sa 2-4 Su 1-4**	Santa Rita 3 SE of 2nd Street	Carmel	Burchell House Properties	624-6461
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$2,150,000	**3bd 2.5ba**	**Sa 1-3**	Palou, end of 2nd	Carmel	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2224
$2,645,000	**3bd 3.5ba**	**Su 1-4**	Casanova 2 NE 7th	Carmel	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$2,859,000	**4bd 3ba**	**Sa 2-4 Su 1-4**	26339 Valley View	Carmel	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
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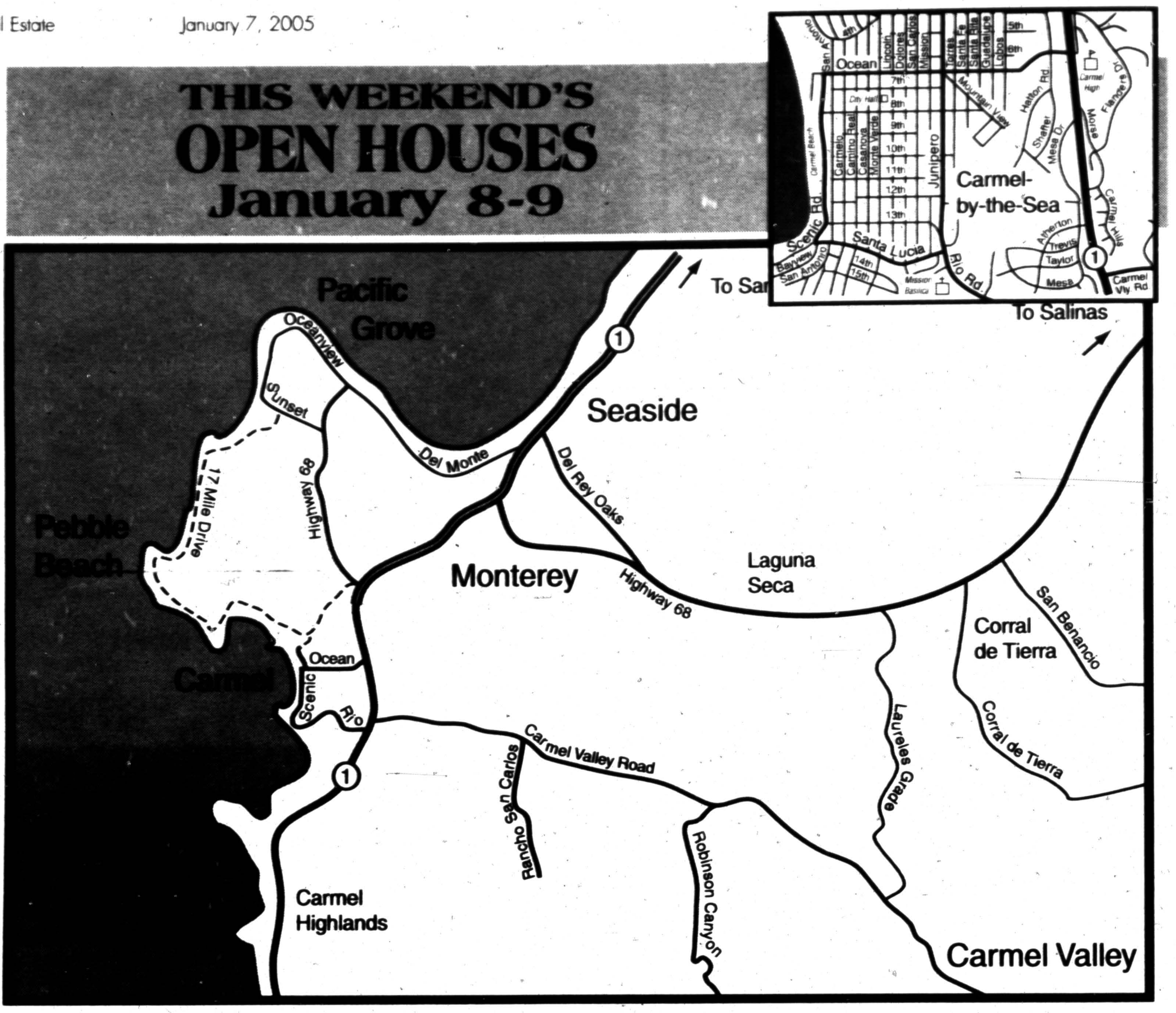
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$579,500	**Lot**	**Sa Su 12-12:30**	0 El Caminito Road	Carmel Valley	The Mitchell Group	659-2267
$740,000	**2bd 2ba**	**Sa 1-3**	257 Del Mesa Carmel	Carmel Valley	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
$875,000	**2bd 2ba**	**Su 1:30-4**	27435 Loma Del Rey	Carmel Valley	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$955,000	**2bd 2ba**	**Su 1:30-3:30**	95 Calle Quien Sabe	Carmel Valley	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
$1,190,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Su 1-4**	33 Poppy Road	Carmel Valley	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
$1,200,000	**4bd 3ba**	**Su 1-3**	9320 Los Prados Drive	Carmel Valley	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2221
$1,395,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Sa 12-3 Su 1-3**	531 Country Club Drive	Carmel Valley	The Mitchell Group	659-2267
$1,695,000	**4bd 3.5ba**	**Sa 12-2:30**	7073 Valley Greens Circle **(R/C)**	Carmel Valley	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$1,695,000	**3bd 2.5ba**	**Su 2-4**	8074 Lake Place	Carmel Valley	The Mitchell Group	659-2267
$2,195,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Sa 11-4 Su 11-3**	24900 Pine Hills Drive	Carmel Valley	John Saar Properties	625-0500
$2,499,000	**3bd 4.5ba**	**Sa 2-4 Su 1-3**	7027 Valley Knoll Road	Carmel Valley	John Saar Properties	625-0500

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$610,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Su 1-3**	10840 Haight Street	Castroville	The Mitchell Group	646-2120

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$749,000	**3bd 2ba**	**Su 1-4**	977 Angelus Way **(R/C)**	Del Rey Oaks	The Mitchell Group	646-2120
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$569,000	**2bd 2ba + rental**	**Su 1-4**	1020 Victoria Street	Hollister	John Saar Properties	625-0500

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$650,000	**2bd 2.5ba**	**Sa 1-4 Su 1-3**	51 Montsalas	Monterey	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$895,000	**4bd 1.5ba**	**Su 1-3**	980 Jefferson Street	Monterey	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
$1,525,000	**4bd 3.5ba**	**Sa 1-3:30**	400 Dry Creek	Monterey	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040

CARMEL HIGHLANDS

$2,240,000	**4bd 3.5ba**	**Sa 1-3 Su 2-4**	218 Upper Walden Road	Crml Highlands	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
$2,695,000	**5bd 4+ba**	**Sa 1-4 Su 12-2:30**	125 Carmel Riviera	Crml Highlands	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$2,750,000	**3bd 3.5ba**	**Sa 11-4 Su 1-4**	268 San Remo	Crml Highlands	John Saar Properties	625-0500
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Sports Gallery drops appeal

By MARY BROWNFIELD

APPARENTLY DECIDING they can work together for the benefit of their shop and the competitive business opening around the corner, the owners of a sports collectibles and memorabilia store on Dolores Street announced Monday they had dropped their opposition to the new store.

The city council had been set to hear arguments Jan. 4, after Sports Gallery investor Tom Kelley appealed the planning commission's Dec. 8 approval of Dennis Marshall's use permit to open Carmel Baseball on Sixth Avenue. His business will feature vintage collectibles and media, and some baseball instruction by well-known coach Nathan Trosky, but Kelley's appeal contended the permit violated city rules and the commission "had to stretch its own guidelines to accommodate the various uses of the space for the applicant."

Kelley worried about another shop in "the same highly specialized niche market" opening "only a few hundred feet from the applicant's space."

But meetings after the appeal was filed yielded positive results, according to Marshall and Sports Gallery General Manager Peter Bauman.

"Instead of going ahead with the appeal, we figured there has to be a way we can both work together," Bauman said. "We knew the appeal was a long shot and figured this would be a more positive outcome for both parties."

Together they drafted a "mutual marketing agreement," Bauman said, though he declined to reveal the details, citing privacy. "It involves recommending business to each other's stores. We are friends. We talk. It was nothing personal but all business."

Marshall said he will refer customers to Sports Gallery for custom framing, since the store frames autographed posters, jerseys and other memorabilia.

"I said I won't get into the framing business, and they won't get into the baseball card business," Marshall said. He successfully convinced his soon-to-be neighbors that his Sixth Avenue shop will not constitute head-to-head competition.

"It's good economics when it works out for everybody," he said.

With Marshall's store set to open later this month, Bauman said, "The issue is really dust under the rug, and we wish Carmel Baseball the best of luck. We hope we can grow a sports collectibles community in the city of Carmel," he said. "It's really fun, and the more fun we can have, the better. It lightens up the atmosphere of the city, and it's something different than art and jewelry. Dads will love it, and kids will love it."

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$1,390,000	**2bd 3ba**	**Sa 11-4 Su 2-4**	435 Corral De Tierra	Mtry/Slns Hwy	John Saar Properties	625-0500
$1,575,000	**5bd 4+ba**	**Sa Su 2-4**	23775 Spectacular Bid	Mtry/Slns Hwy	John Saar Properties	625-0500
$1,679,000	**4bd 4.5ba**	**Sa Su 1-3**	19838 Spring Ridge Terrace	Mtry/Slns Hwy	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
$1,795,000	**4bd 3.5ba**	**Sa Su 1-4**	19815 Spring Ridge Terrace	Mtry/Slns Hwy	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
$2,995,000	**5bd 3.5ba**	**Su 1-4**	25564 Paseo de Cumbre	Mtry/Slns Hwy	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040

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$670,000	**2bd 1ba**	**Sa 1-4 Su 2-4**	207 Carmel Avenue	Pacific Grove	Alain Pinel Realtors	622-1040
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$625,000	**2bd 2ba**	**Sa 1-3**	51 Shepherds Knoll	Pebble Beach	The Mitchell Group	646-2120

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$1,795,000	**3bd 3.5ba**	**Su 1-3**	2992 Bird Rock	Pebble Beach	Coldwell Banker Del Monte	626-2222
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SOUTH COAST

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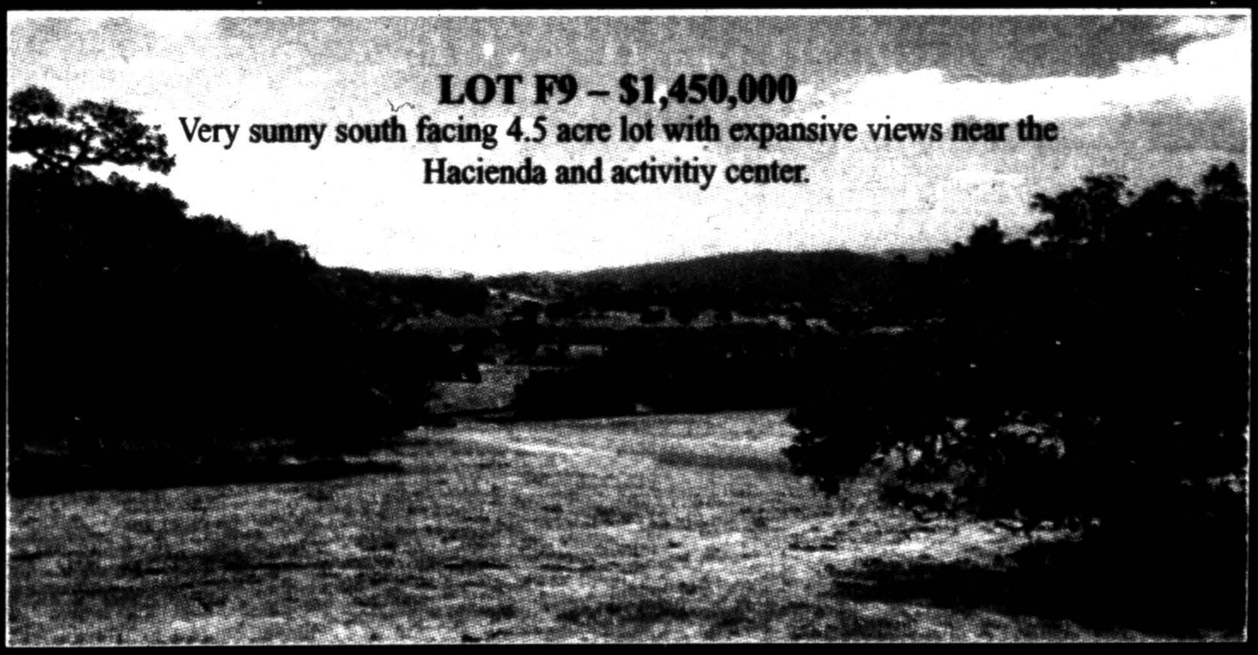
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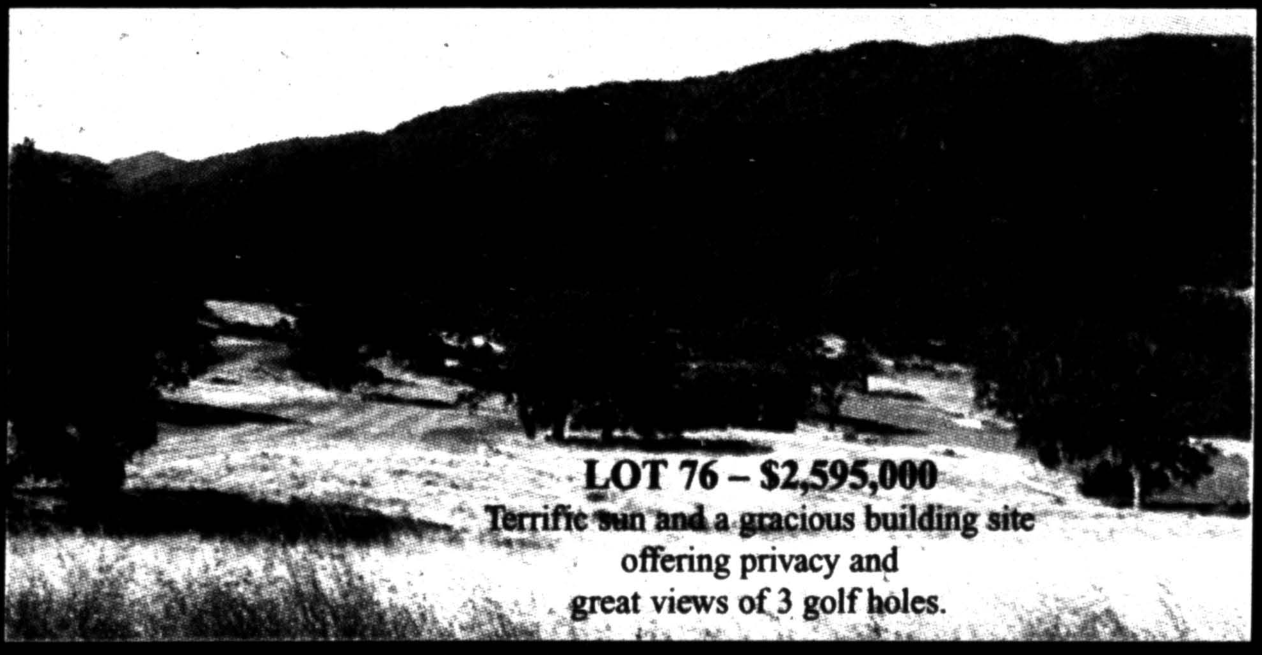
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20042898. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as:
(1) WISDOM WISDOM
(2) WISDOMWISDOM.COM, 4000 Rio Rd. #21 (P.O. Box 223002 Carmel, CA 93922), Carmel, CA 93923. GILBERT FAY WISDOM, 4000 Rio Rd. #21, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 1, 2004 (s) Gilbert Fay Wisdom. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 10, 2004. Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2004 & Jan. 7, 2005. (PC1217)

SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. M72463.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. *Present name*: DONALD R. CAPPARIS
Proposed name: DONALD R. CAPARIS

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: Jan. 14, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Robert O'Farrell
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Dec. 8, 2004.

Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2004 & Jan. 7, 2005 . (PC1218)

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY

DECLARATION AND REQUEST FOR PUBLICATION OF SUMMONS AND PETITION; ORDER
CASE NO. DR42365

SANDRA A. RICKS, Petitioner vs. MAURICE RICKS, Respondent

I, the undersigned, declare:

I am the Plaintiff in the above-entitled action.

Respondent and I separated November 1999. After returning home on November 18, 1999, I discovered our apartment was completely empty. Respondent was unemployed so I had no employer to call. I received a call from a friend of Respondents who informed me that Respondent had moved to Arkansas. I called every phone number that I knew of in Arkansas however everyone that I talked to has told me that they had not seen him. I had someone do an internet search however no information was found. I have not been able to locate Respondent for the past five years.

I do not desire to wait until which time Respondent returns to continue with my divorce and my life. I request that the court grant my request for publication so that I may move on with my life.

I request that proof of service of the summons be allowed by publication in The Carmel Pine Cone.

Dated: September 29, 2004

(s)Petitioner- In Pro Per, Sandra A. Ricks.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 7, 2004.

(s) Lisa M Galdos, Clerk,
(s) J. Villanueva, Deputy
Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2004 & Jan. 7, 2005 . (PC1219)

SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. M72472.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: ANNE MARIE PAPINEAU and SAMIR ABDEL RAHMAN ABBOUD petitioners, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. *Present name*: LAITH ADRIAN PAPINEAU-ABBOUD
Proposed name: LAITH ADRIAN ABBOUD

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: January 21, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Hon. Michael S. Fields
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Dec. 9, 2004.

Publication dates: Dec. 17, 24, 31, 2004 & Jan. 7, 2005. (PC1220)

SUPERIOR COURT
OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MONTEREY

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. M70696.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: petitioner ANGEL MANUEL VELAZQUEZ HERNANDEZ filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
A. *Present name*: ANGEL MANUEL VELAZQUEZ HERNANDEZ
Proposed name: ANGEL MIGUEL FLORES HERNANDEZ.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

NOTICE OF HEARING: January 28, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. The address of the court is 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, CA 93940.

A copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: The Carmel Pine Cone, Carmel.

(s) Michael S. Fields
Judge of the Superior Court
Date filed: Dec. 2, 2004.

Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 2004, Jan. 7, 14, 2005. (PC1221)

STATEMENT OF WITHDRAWAL FROM PARTNERSHIP OPERATING UNDER FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 20041472. The following person, **BRAD PHILIPBAR,** has withdrawn as a general partner from the partnership operating under the fictitious business name of **FINE JEWELRY PHOTOGRAPHY** at 136 El Hemmaro, Carmel Valley, CA 93924.The fictitious business name statement for the partnership was filed on June 18, 2004 in the county of Monterey. The full name and residence of the person withdrawing as a partner: BRAD PHILIPBAR, 26461 Mission Fields, Carmel, CA 93923. (s) Brad Philipbar. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Nov. 3, 2004. Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 2004 & Jan. 7, 14, 2005. (PC1222).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20042973. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **CARMEL VALLEY MANOR,** 8545 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA 93923. NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CONGREGATIONAL RETIREMENT HOMES, INC., 8545 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 1963 (s) James R. Valentine, Executive Director & Asst. Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 20, 2004. Publication dates: Dec. 24, 31, 2004 & Jan. 7, 14, 2005. (PC1223)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20043001. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **FLANDERS COURT OF CARMEL,** 25661 Morse Drive, Carmel, CA 93923. HERMAN G. FICKEWIRTH, 25661 Morse Drive, Carmel, CA 93923. MIRIAM S. FICKEWIRTH, 25527 Flanders Drive, Carmel, CA 93923. This business is conducted by a husband and wife. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 15, 1994. (s) Herman G. Fickewirth. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 23, 2004. Publication dates: Dec. 31, 2004 and Jan. 7, 14, 21, 2005. (PC1226)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE.
Date of Filing Application: Nov. 19, 2004

To Whom It May Concern:
The Name of the Applicants are:
CFMB INC
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:
ONE OLD RANCH RD,
CARMEL VALLEY, CA 93923
Type of license applied for:
66-CONTROLLED ACCESS CABINET PERMIT
47 ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE.
Publication dates: January 7, 2005 (PC101).

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20043023. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY,** 26364 Carmel Rancho Lane, Carmel, CA 93923. SHARON LEE GEDRYN, 9 White Tail Ln., Monterey, CA 93940. This business is conducted by a limited partnership. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Dec. 1, 2004. (s) Sharon Gedryn. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 28, 2004. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2005. (PC102)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20042923. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **LET IT BEAD,** 700 Cannery Row #CC, Monterey, CA 93940. KRIS L. AVINA-ROSCOE, 1085 Trappers Trail, Pebble Beach, CA 93953. This business is conducted by an individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1994. (s) Kris L. Avina-Roscoe. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 17, 2004. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2005. (PC103)

SUMMONS – FAMILY LAW
CASE NUMBER: DR 42768
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT:
MARIA LOPEZ

You are being sued.

PETITIONER'S NAME IS:
MANUEL 12V. PACHECO

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NOTICE: *The restraining orders on the back are effective against both husband and wife until the petition is dismissed, a judgement is entered, or the court makes further orders. These orders are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.*

The name and address of the court is:
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF MONTEREY
1200 AGUAJITO ROAD
MONTEREY, CA 93940

The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is:
MANUEL V. PACHECO
1551 El Dorado Drive
Salinas, CA 93906
(831) 449-1888

Notice to the person served: You are served as an individual.

Date: Dec. 17, 2004
(s) Lisa M. Galdos, Clerk
by C.J. Camacho, Deputy
Publication Dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2005. (PC 104)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 20042874. The following person(s) is(are) doing business as: **SYLVIA'S DANISH PASTRY,** 403 Mid Valley Center, Carmel Valley, CA 93923. RICHARD STEVEN BAGBY, 135 White Oaks Lane, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. DONNA DEL BAGBY, 135 White Oaks Lane, Carmel Valley, CA 93924. This business is conducted by a husband and wife. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Nov. 16, 2004. (s) Steve Bagby. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Monterey County on Dec. 8, 2004. Publication dates: Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, 2005. (PC105)

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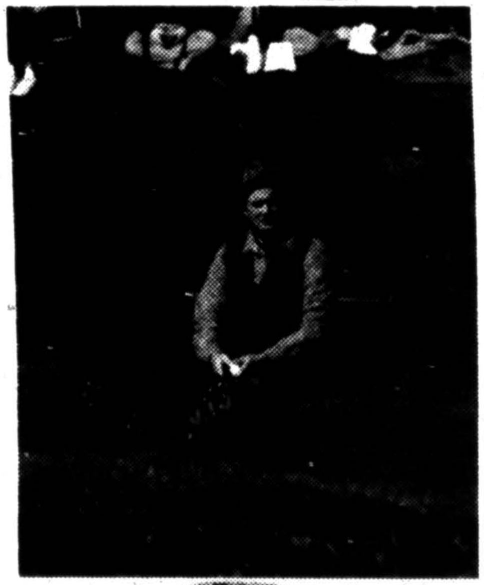

POLICE LOG

From page 4A

Carmel Valley: A 62-year-old male reported a civil dispute with a subject at a Carmel Valley Road address.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

Carmel-by-the-Sea: On Monday at 1200 hours, a male suspect, age 45, came to the department for a court-ordered booking. This is in reference to a Carmel P.D. case for theft. Booking was completed and he was sent on his way.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 0852 hours, Engine 7111, Ambulance 7166 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to a reported hazardous condition at the hotel at Camino Real and Eighth. Upon arrival, found a 55-gallon drum that had been dropped, and the contents of the drum, used cooking oil, flowed down Eighth Avenue in the gutter. Dikes were created using absorbent and sand from public works. Monterey County Health Department was advised and a representative on scene within 20 minutes. Salinas Tallow Company was the responsible party and workers were consulted on a cleanup plan. Brought a crew and truck to clean up the absorbent and standing oil in the dikes. The pumping truck arrived at 1030 hours and attempted to remove the liquid product. However, the pump on the truck malfunctioned and 45 minutes later, they still had not removed any of the product. Rain began falling heavily and the runoff began overflowing the primary, secondary and eventually tertiary dikes the public works and fire crews had created. All three were compromised and the uncontained product went into the storm drain system. Monterey County and fish and game were notified the product had gone into the ocean. No liquid product remained and the tallow company agreed to stay and clean up the rest of the contaminated absorbent and sand.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 1228 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to report of wires smoking at San Antonio and 12th. Upon arrival, found a house drop with the insulation burned through and wires touching. PG&E notified and power turned off to the residence. PG&E on scene at 1250 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 1412 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to a fire alarm activation at Lincoln and Sixth. Upon arrival, found an alarm panel in trouble, showing telco malfunction.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 1518 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to a fire alarm activation at Vizcaino and Flanders. Upon arrival, found an alarm technician on scene testing the system.

Big Sur: A male subject, age 36, reported that the general manager of the Ventana Inn had changed the lock on his apartment in the employee housing area of the Ventana Inn.

Carmel area: A 58-year-old Portola Road resident reported that on 12-24, a car full of juveniles drove by his house and threw several eggs at it. There was no damage.

Carmel Valley: At about 1836 hours, California Highway Patrol and sheriff units responded to a reported vehicle accident on Thorne Road at the Arroyo Seco River crossing. Upon arrival, found what appeared to be a newer model Nissan Pathfinder in the Arroyo Seco River. Initially could not tell if any of the occupants were still in the vehicle. Due to the nature of the call, the sheriff's dive and rescue teams were dispatched to the scene. Greenfield Police Department, CHP, Greenfield Fire Department and Soledad Fire Departments responded to the location. Due to the extreme danger of the swift water flowing down the river, all rescue attempts were held off until the sheriff's department rescue team could arrive. When the rescue team arrived on scene a search of the vehicle and the surrounding area were made. No victims were found during the search. No vehicle information could be recovered due to the rapid flowing water. Case continues with the CHP.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

Carmel-by-the-Sea: While on patrol on Scenic Road at 0120 hours, contacted two juveniles regarding a curfew violation. It was determined that one had been drinking and was intoxicated. Both were taken to the station and parents were notified. The juveniles were then released to a parent.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: City employee reported the theft of a city-owned all-terrain vehicle from a locked storage space/garage at Del Mar.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Traffic collision on Mission Street on public property. Property damage only.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Vehicle was parked blocking a driveway to an apartment complex on Monte Verde Street. It was cited at 1530 and then towed when other residents called to get out at 1715 hours.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Female reported someone may be stalking her and trespassing in her home on Casanova Street. She is collecting evidence to support this claim. She advised this is an ongoing problem that has been reported to police already. She will contact the department in the future with further information.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of possible underage drinking in a bar on Dolores Street. Adult subjects were buying the drinks and sharing them with the underage individuals. Bar check conducted and I.D. checks were made. Two individuals had no identification, so they were asked to leave. The bartender and the waiter were contacted and advised of the situation and to check identification. They were advised to monitor their customers and the consumption of alcohol.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111 and Ambulance 7166 responded to report of medical emergency on Lincoln Street. Units at scene. The resident stepped out of the house to greet the firefighters and paramedics and stated it was a mistake. There was no medical emergency and she was not injured and did not require any medical assistance.

Carmel Valley: A 31-year-old male requested a welfare check on his mother, who was threatening suicide. Upon contact with the mother at her Southbank Road residence, she was in good spirits and having dinner. No signs or criteria for a 72-hour hold under Section 5150 of the Welfare & Institutions Code.

Big Sur: Report of an overdose at a Highway 1 residence. The 39-year-old female subject was contacted and committed to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A vehicle was towed for blocking the driveway of a residence on Fourth Avenue.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A guest at an inn on Monte Verde Street reported that a Waste Management employee caused minor damage to the bumper of his vehicle while rolling out the trash bins. He became upset because he was not getting any assistance or cooperation from the inn and was confronted by another guest. All involved parties were contacted and admonished for their actions. The guest declined to pursue the damage to his vehicle.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Carmel P.D. received

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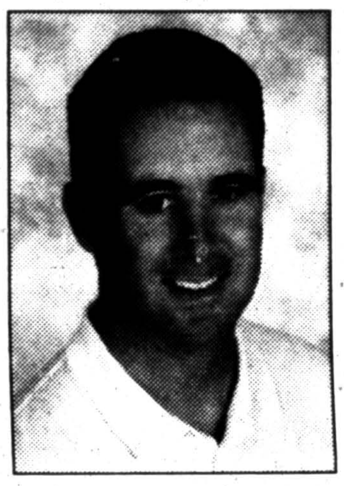

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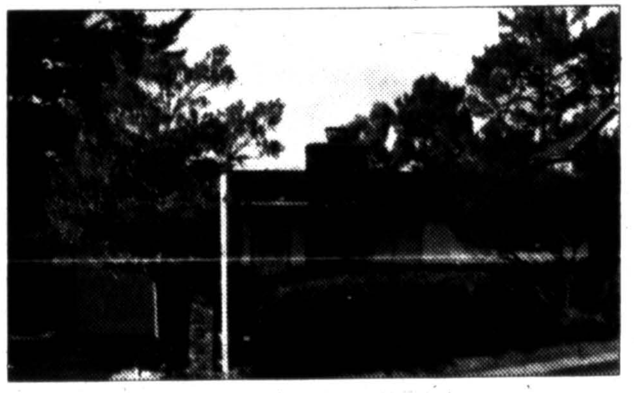

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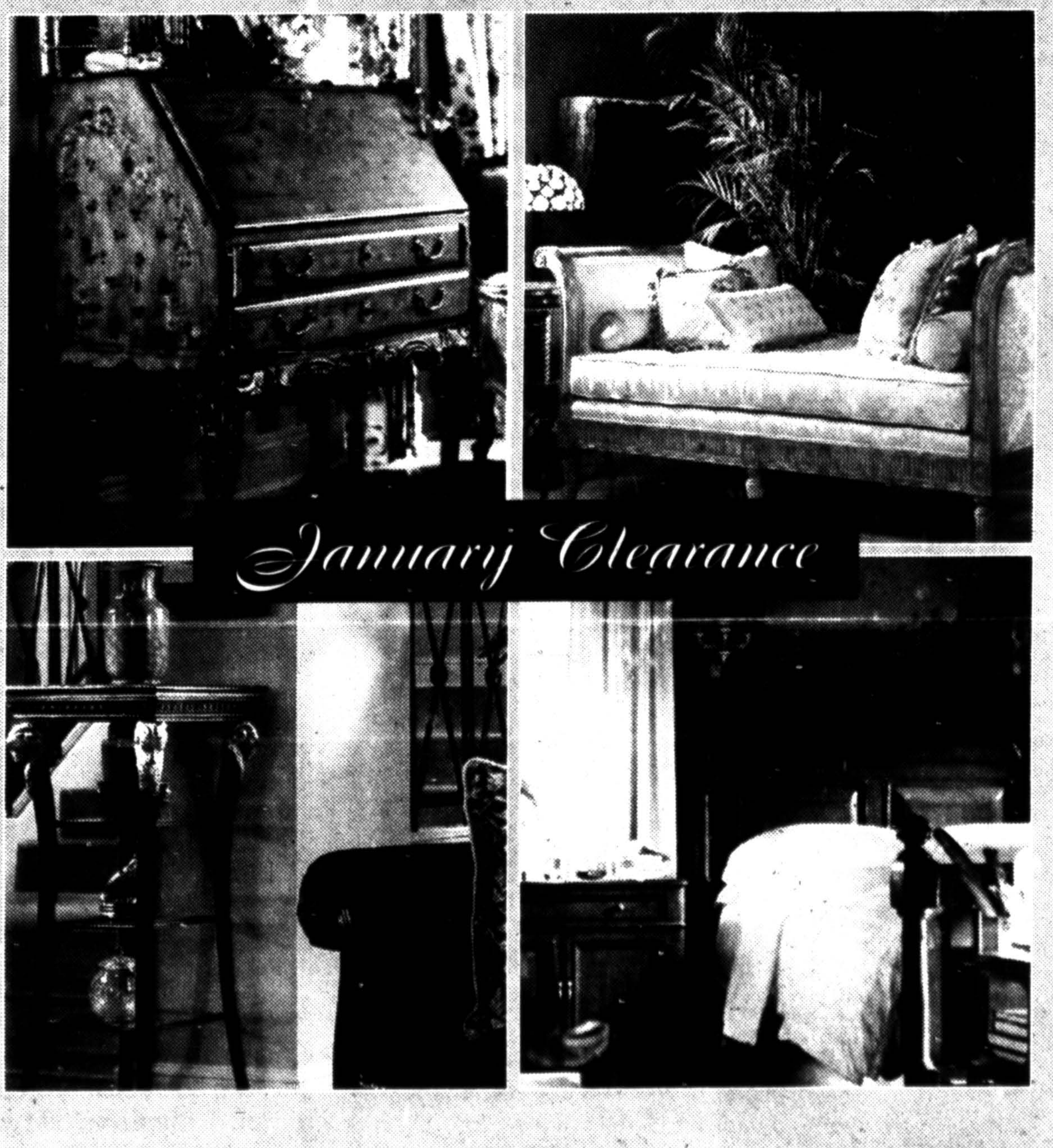

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POLICE LOG

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a request from Modesto P.D. to investigate possible credit card fraud committed by unknown persons in the City of Carmel. The victim of the credit card fraud resides in Modesto.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen reported the loss of a cellular telephone from his wife's vehicle on or about 11-18. The wife's vehicle was parked within the driveway of their home on Dolores Street. The owner did not know the phone was missing until a later date. The subject(s) who acquired the cell phone made unauthorized calls. The victim wished to report this for information purposes only and no formal crime report was requested. The cell phone service has since been terminated.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Citizen reported the discovery of a woman's wallet on Junipero Street. The wallet was forwarded to the department for safekeeping. An attempt to contact was initiated.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject reported the loss of a dark blue two-compartment wallet on Carmelo Street containing her California Driver License, Monterey Sports Center card and miscellaneous items.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 1202 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7105 were dispatched to a smell of smoke in the main Harrison Memorial Library at Ocean and Lincoln. Upon arrival, found a strong odor of burning electrical at the circulation desk. Further investigation revealed a burnt ballast in a fluorescent light. City electrician on scene stated he would take care of it.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 2038 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to report of a bright flash/explosion in the vicinity of Mission and Vista. Upon arrival, found nothing unusual and all properties appeared to have power. Trees blowing significantly in heavy wind at the time.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 2223 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to a fire alarm activation at the Cypress Inn. Upon arrival at 2227 hours, located heat/smoke alarm activation in a guest room. Room was clear, although a fireplace was on in the room. No smoke in room and heat not excessive.

Carmel Valley: Patrol observation of a known warrant suspect, a 30-year-old female, westbound on Carmel Valley Road. Upon contact, found the subject was driving on a suspended license for prior DUI, in violation of probation. Subject was arrested and booked into Monterey County Jail.

Carmel area: Male Camino del Monte resident, age 58, wanted to report the illegal dumping of garbage in front of his property.

Carmel Valley: East Carmel Valley Road resident, age 70, reported the suspicious death of 10 koi fish from the koi pond. Total value of fish was $5,000.

Carmel Valley: A 56-year-old male reported having an argument with a customer at the Cachagua General Store.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Units responded to a reported medical emergency on Casanova Street involving a male subject not breathing. Responded along with the Monterey County Sheriff's Office and found the 64-year-old male with no pulse and not breathing. CPD and MCSO units initiated CPR until CFD units arrived on scene, and they continued CPR while paramedics performed their treatments. The male subject was transported to CHOMP, where he was unfortunately pronounced deceased.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Unknown suspect(s) stole $1,260 worth of plywood from a house on Torres Street that was under construction.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A tree branch from a city-owned tree on Lopez Street fell on a phone line, causing damage to a PG&E riser and overhang of the victim's house.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Subject found a ring on the ground near a restaurant at Dolores and Fifth.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 0048 hours, Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7104 were dispatched to an alarm sounding at the hotel at Mission and Third. Upon arrival at 0053 hours, found an audible alarm sounding, but the building was clear. Both alarm panels showed all clear and no alarm. Unable to reset alarm. After approximately 20 minutes, audible silenced on its own. First Alarm notified of problem and would send a tech.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 0139 hours, Engine 7111 and Ambulance 7166 were dispatched to a medical emergency on Casanova. Upon arrival, found an older male, apneic and pulseless, with a downtime of up to 10 minutes. CPR initiated by CPD officer on scene. Firefighters assisted Ambulance 7166 crew with code protocol. Extricated, loaded and transported patient to CHOMP via ambulance.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7103 responded to report of residential flooding at Carpenter and Second. At scene, assessed the situation. The owner had her own portable pump and two sump pumps. The were sufficient for the time being. Advised her to call the fire department if it got out of her control. She agreed and names and numbers were exchanged.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111 responded to a report of residential fire alarm activation at Torres and 10th. Call canceled by FireComm prior to arrival.

Carmel Valley: A male subject reported that a woman acting very strangely was found in the bathroom of the Berwick Drive building.

Big Sur: A male subject grabbed his 37-year-old ex-girlfriend during an argument at the Lucia Lodge on Highway 1. No injuries; no prosecution.

Carmel area: A 50-year-old male Carmelo Street resident reported a possible engine switch while having an engine painted at a shop on Airport Road in Monterey. Referred to MAD-CAT.

Carmel Valley: Four juvenile males were contacted during a pedestrian check on Pilot Road at Delfino Place after curfew. Males were found to be in possession of marijuana, fireworks and drug paraphernalia, and were cited and released to the parents of one of the boys.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

Carmel-by-the-Sea: A subject called on the 911 emergency line at 0145 hours reporting a non-emergency, which was the next door neighbor's dog barking. She was given the business number and told to call on that line. She again called the 911 emergency line to report barking dogs on Casanova Street. Units arrived on scene and noted two small dogs barking inside the residence. The dog owner was not home and information was forwarded to animal control for follow-up.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: The Casanova Street resident called 911 again at 0351 hours to report the barking dogs and to have police board or block the dog door so the dogs could not come outside and bark any more. Advised her police could not enter the property to block the dog door. She then said she was going to do it herself. She was told she could not enter the property without the neighbor's permission. She added that she had it in writing, that she can block the door, however she was unable to provide the documentation. It was explained that there were no

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exigent circumstances that would allow police to enter the property and block the dog door. A courtesy notice was left advising the owner to call the police department. The resident was also warned for using 911 to report non-emergency calls.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Report of an intoxicated male subject at the theater on Casanova. Upon arrival at 2245 hours, found the male suspect, age 57, sitting on the ground cursing and threatening to kill officers and make them "eat" their Tasers. He stated he would kill and kick officers' asses if they tried to take him into custody. A strong odor of an alcoholic beverage was noted emanating from his body, and his speech was slurred. Force had to be used to take him into custody.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7103 responded to report of residential fire alarm activation at San Antonio and 10th. At scene, found an audible alarm coming from the interior of the home. No one was at home. The residence was clear from the exterior. Contacted the alarm company to have it notify the owner of the activation and the findings at the scene.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111, Ambulance 7166 and Battalion Chief 7103 responded to report of medical emergency on the beach near Eighth at Scenic Road. At scene, units searched for the victim on the beach. Utility vehicle dispatched to the scene to assist with the search. Female came up to the engine to say her father was feeling ill, and he was near her car parked on Scenic Road. Returned to Scenic and found an elderly male feeling ill complaining of dizziness and nausea. Firefighters assisted the ambulance crew with the assessment and care of the man and helped to load him into the ambulance for transport to CHOMP.

Carmel area: A vehicle check of a previously reported vehicle parked at a Via Mar Monte residence at 1700 hours resulted in the arrest of a male suspect, age 19, and a 23-year-old female suspect on numerous charges relating to the sale of illegal drugs. Charges include violations of the Health & Safety Code, Penal Code and California Vehicle Code.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

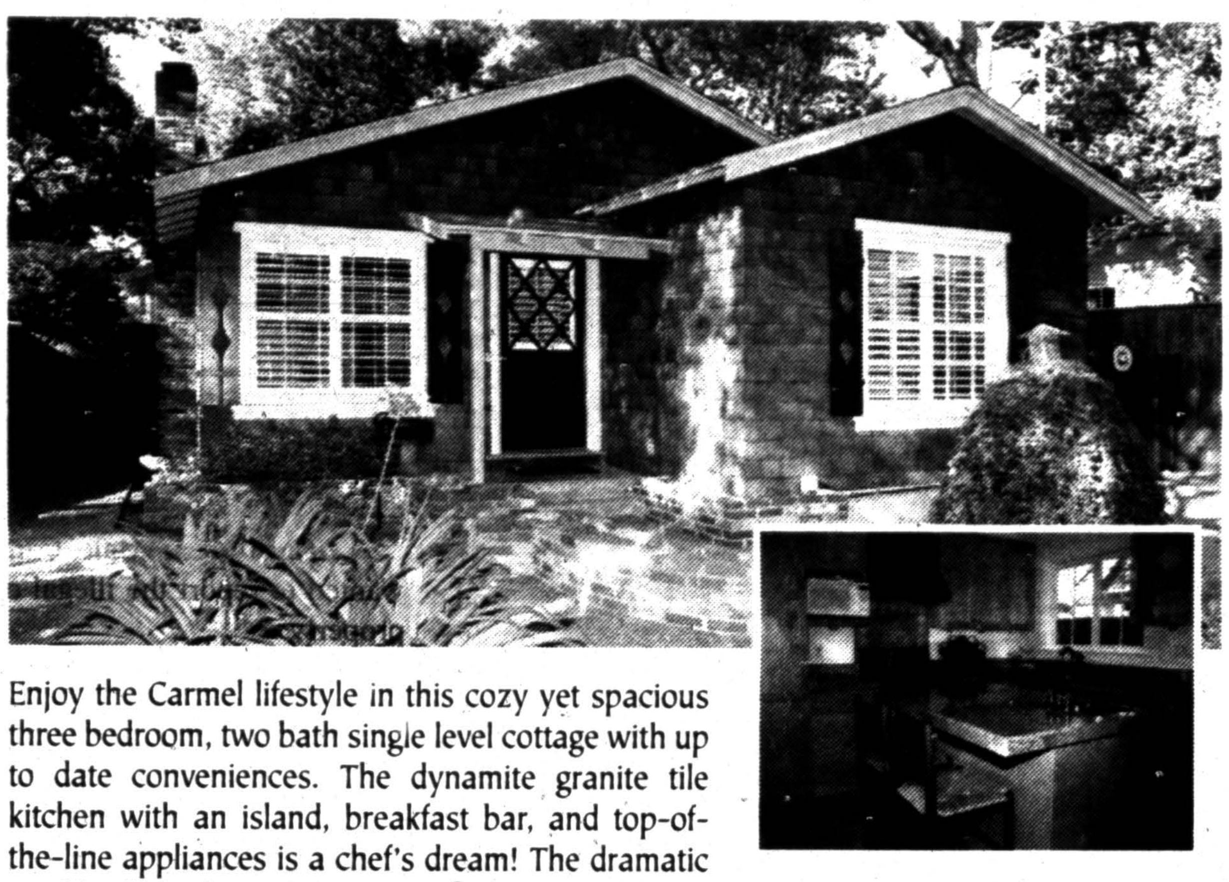
Carmel-by-the-Sea: Manager of an Ocean Avenue business was threatened by the subject's presence and behavior.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: At 1330 hours, female reported she checked her coat while having dinner at a San Carlos Street restaurant. After dining, she went to pick up her coat and discovered it had been picked up by someone else. Management was contacted but could not locate the coat or explain its whereabouts. It's possible another customer picked up the coat in error. The coat was placed in a closet in the same dining room where the victim was seated. Management is calling customers to locate the coat. A similar coat was left behind, so management believes the coat was taken by mistake. The restaurant will notify CPD if the coat is located. At 1530 hours the coat was found and turned in. Owner was notified.

Carmel-by-the-Sea: Engine 7111 and Battalion Chief 7103 responded to report of alarm activation at Sunset Center. At scene, nothing showing. During investigation found the alarm panel in the stage area showing "center/lower level/smoke." Performed a primary search of the stage, lower and middle levels. All was clear. Silenced and reset the panel.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK

Quintessential Carmel Cottage



Enjoy the Carmel lifestyle in this cozy yet spacious three bedroom, two bath single level cottage with up to date conveniences. The dynamite granite tile kitchen with an island, breakfast bar, and top-of-the-line appliances is a chef's dream! The dramatic marble tile baths with heated floors and a Jacuzzi tub provide a setting of relaxation after a visit to the beach or some outdoor entertaining on the brick patio with peeks of the ocean. Other features include a wood-burning fireplace, beautiful hardwood floors, vaulted ceilings, skylights, French doors, and abundant storage. Situated in an ideal location close to shopping and restaurants, this charming Carmel cottage will surely capture your heart!

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CARMEL RETREAT! Steps-to-beach-and-town cottage oozes charm and style with ocean view, fabulous "published" gardens, large lot, 4 bedrooms, and 4 baths. Includes dynamite, separate 2-room apartment. $3,590,000.

FRONTLINE SCENIC ROAD! Just steps away from the power of the Pacific is this fantastic oceanfront Carmel residence. With views of Pt. Lobos, Monastary Beach, and Stewarts Cove, is this luxurious 4000 sq. ft., 4-bedroom, 4-1/2 bath remodeled home! Two ocean view terraces. $12,950,000.

"LE PETIT PAPILLION!" This is one of Carmel's finest jewels. A cottage like no other, this newly completed 2-bedroom, 2-1/2-bath home sets a new standard. This gem boasts a romantic master suite and a kitchen to delight the gourmet. $1,599,000.

"MANSE DEL LA MAR"! The beauty of the ever-changing view of Point Lobos and Carmel Bay so dramatically seen from this remarkable beachfront 8700 (approximately) sq. ft. 4-bedroom, 6-1/2-bath residence. World-class amenities and architecture. $19,950,000.

MAGNIFIQUE! Only six years old, this 3700 sq. ft. home and 400 sq. ft. studio is a blend of quality materials, warmth of design and superb functionality. The main level bedroom suite has its own enchanted garden, upstairs master suite which features ocean vistas, and a 3-car garage. $4,100,000.

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CARMEL HIGHLANDS

ROCKY POINT RETREAT! Just 12 short miles from Carmel, this beautiful 3-bedroom, 2-bath home awaits to calm and inspire with sweeping views of rugged coast, crashing surf and sea beyond. A stunning retreat on five ocean-view acres is entered through gates and tree-lined drive. $2,450,000.

BARONIAL BEACH FRONT ESTATE! Set on a rocky cove above its own private beach with spectacular views, is this English country manor. On 2 oceanfront acres, this 4300+ sq. ft., 4-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath, half-timbered home is truly one of the Peninsula's most desired oceanfront locals. $9,500,000.

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HEART OF PACIFIC GROVE! This cozy commercially zoned cottage is currently used as a hair salon and is perfect for an owner/user. Across the street from a public parking lot & a half block to Lighthouse Ave. This is a great location for a small office, retail store, or even a residence. $599,000.

ON THE DUNES! Boasting beautiful ocean and sunset views is this beach house hideaway located just steps to the sea and Asilomar Beach. With 2-bedrooms, 1-1/2-baths plus sea-view potting shed, and two-car garage. All on a 1/4 acre site. $1,750,000.

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MAJESTIC MARKHAM RANCH! Scenic beauty colonial style, two-story home is approximately 2,700 sq. ft., has 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, and two fireplaces. Convenient to both Monterey and Salinas. $949,000.

LA VENTURA! This luxurious, comfortable 6300 sq. ft. Mediterranean is on 10 acres at Markham Ranch. Four luxurious bedroom-bath suites, and a separate 1-bedroom guesthouse/media center. Patio with pool & mesmerizing waterfall. Gated enty, five fireplaces, private well & spa. $3,100,000.

PEBBLE BEACH

"SEA MIST!" Across from MPCC's 9th hole, a thoughtfully remodeled single-level, 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath home with rare imported slate, hardwood floors, Carmel-stone fireplace, numerous skylights, a gourmet kitchen, and much more. Lush gardens. $1,995,000.

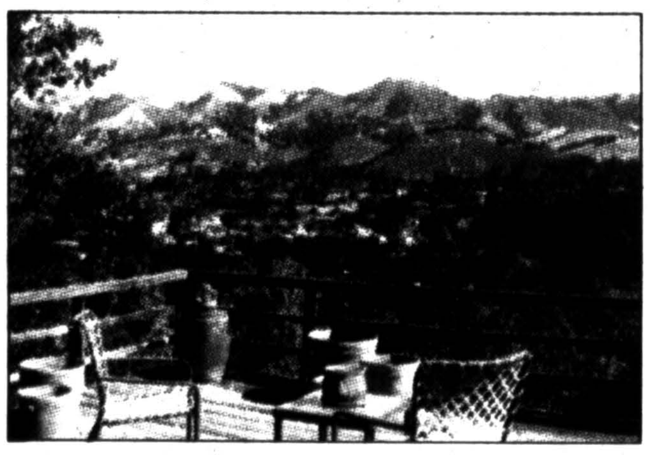
A GOLFER'S DREAM! New Mediterranean estate, over-looking the 15th fairway of the Pebble Beach Golf Links and a short walk to The Lodge. This spacious and luxurious 3-bedroom, 3-1/2-bath residence has 6,860 sq. ft. and all the amenities. $8,950,000.

PEBBLE BEACH PERFECTION! A fabulous brand-new home just .5 miles to the ocean. Offering about 3100 sq. ft. of exceptional quality with soaring two-story entry, walls of glass, limestone floors, crown moulding, and gourmet kitchen. Estimated completion January 2005. Exclusive listing. $2,995,000.

"CHAPPELLET ESTATE!" A rare offering on approximately 2.7 acres, the Chappellet Estate is prestigiously located near The Lodge, with stunning golf links and Carmel Bay views. Built on their own cove, the 4-bedroom, 4-bath main house and 2-bedroom, 2-bath guesthouse, offer crashing surf & ocean views. $36,000,000.

THREE GABLES! Commanding the 14th fairway of Pebble Beach Golf Links is this magnificent new estate. This 5-bedroom, 11,300 sq. ft. residence has it all. With ocean and Point Lobos views and just a stroll to The Lodge, it just might be the finest home in Pebble Beach. $27,900,000.

CARMEL VALLEY



ROBLES DEL RIO GEM! A fabulous contemporary home with incredible valley views from a huge sunny deck seemingly suspended above the village. Amid the clean lines and lofty ceilings are 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace in the spacious living room, and two-car garage. $955,000.

SUNSHINE TO SHARE! On the sunny side of Mid-Carmel Valley with magnificent views of the mountains, this ranch-style 4-bedroom, 3-bath home is a winner. Family room/kitchen combo, separate guest quarters, park-like gardens, and solar collection panels. $1,200,000.

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